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Two local women battle Lyme disease, medical establishment

By ALISON ALOISIO

Rhonda Buker of Newry and Diane Farnum of Roxbury call themselves "partners in Lyme."

That's because, they said, they both had Lyme disease over the same period of years, without knowing it. After finally getting diagnosed and treated, they have dedicated much of their time to educating others about the disease.

As part of that effort, they have organized a Lyme Disease Awareness Conference in Mexico on May 5, which will feature two doctors, a nonprofit organization dedicated to education about Lyme, and several panelists.

The two women have known each other for 15 years. Beginning in 2000, they said, they shared the same disease, though Farnum would not be diagnosed until 2005 and Buker until 2008.

Buker says in hindsight, she knows when she was bitten by a black-legged tick, also known as a deer tick, which can carry the infectious bacteria. But she believed at the time that the swelling and red ring on her ankle had been caused by a spider bite, and she thought little of it.

She said she then developed symptoms that included knee problems, fluid buildup, and flu-like symptoms.

As time progressed, more symptoms developed, including fatigue, migraines, memory problems, heart palpitations, numbness in her feet, and a long list of other ailments. She passed out several times, twice while driving.

"I felt like I was in a

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Proposed school budget sees no cuts for FY'13

By ALISON ALOISIO

A SAD 44 school budget plan for next year preserves a half dozen staff positions whose outside funding sources will disappear, and again shoulders a portion of the operating costs for the Andover Elementary School.

The proposal, if approved, would mean a 1.27 percent overall increase in the local share of the school budget cost.

Thanks to a boost in revenues, for the first time in several years the School Board is not faced with the prospect of eliminating jobs and/or programs to make a budget financially palatable to local taxpayers.

"This is the first time

since I've been on the School Board that the Finance Committee hasn't brought back a budget proposal that involves cuts," said Finance Committee Chair Keith Smith of Andover.

The committee Monday presented a \$9,989,269 general fund budget to directors, an increase of \$261,969 over the current year.

Revenues from state aid, tuition and carryover funds will provide \$2.26 million toward the budget, an increase of \$312,725.

With the help of savings found on the expense side of the budget, district officials were able to preserve

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TOP TRACKMAN—Telstar's Josef Holt runs in the 3,200-meters in Tuesday's first home track meet. Holt won the race, as well as the 800-meters. For more results, see Page 13.

(Photo: A. Aloisio)

Innocence stands accused



Bethel Community Players will appear in the dinner theater play, "The Butler Did It," at the Bethel Inn Resort on May 11 and 12 beginning at 5:30 pm. This murder mystery comedy play is chock full of running gags, melodramas and mistaken identities. Shown in photo: (front) Ross Timberlake; (back from L) Norman Millard, Leigh Dickinson, Carole Timberlake, Roberta Taylor and Elton Cole.

(Photo: J. Arizzi)

Bethel board cool to fireworks ordinance

By MICHAEL DANIELS

A Maine law that took effect Jan. 1 now allows towns and cities to regulate "consumer fireworks."

As defined by federal code, consumer fireworks are the smaller, less powerful devices such as sparklers, toy guns and firecrackers, generally with less than 50 grams of powder.

Not included in that category, and still banned by state law, are missile-type rockets, helicopters and aerial spinners, sky rockets and bottle rockets, as well as larger firecrackers.

Under the new state law, towns can now pass an ordinance prohibiting the use and/or sale of consumer fireworks, which are otherwise legal in the state.

Several municipalities across the state have done that, with some opting to ban only the sale, but most outlawing both sale and use.

Others have taken no ac-

In Greenwood the selectmen discussed the matter briefly, but opted to take no action at this time.

Newry selectmen, after polling their fire department, did the same.

and suggesting updates for Bethel's ordinances, and considering proposals for new ones, had asked that the selectmen make the decision on a possible fireworks ordinance.

"The ORC felt it was more of a policy decision," Town Manager Jim Doar told the board. "Before they started crafting a fireworks ordinance, they wanted to know what the Board of Selectmen was thinking on how it needed to be regulated, if at all."

For himself, Doar doubted any such ordinance could be enforced.

"The fire chief and I think that there's no way to enforce it regardless of what we do."

During last week's discussion, four of the five selectmen leaned toward

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Under current Maine law it is illegal for anyone under 21 to use fireworks; also illegal to use them anywhere but on your own property.

tion, leaving both the sale and use within their boundaries legal.

That pattern is reflected in the Bethel area.

At their recent town meetings Andover voters chose to outlaw both sale and use, while Woodstock's voted to ban sale but not use.

In Bethel the matter is still up for discussion.

Selectmen discussed such a ban at their meeting last week, but then voted unanimously to put off a decision until their next meeting.

The town's Ordinance Review Committee, which is currently examining

Open Space Plan presented in Woodstock

By ALISON ALOISIO

Woodstock selectmen last week stopped short of "accepting" an Open Space Plan compiled by the Woodstock Conservation Commission.

The plan was born of a directive in the 2007 town Comprehensive Plan.

The Comprehensive Plan, which was approved by voters, calls for the town "to develop a plan to protect open space."

The Conservation Commission presented the Open Space Plan to selectmen at their April 17 meeting.

The Open Space Plan relies heavily on guidelines in the CP, and outlines goals relating to natural

and water resources, forestry management and agriculture, economic considerations, recreational trails, and land use/development ordinances. The guidelines also emphasize respect for landowner rights.

The WCC conducted an inventory of natural resources and sensitive environmental areas in Woodstock, utilizing a variety of maps, including those from the Department of Maine Inland Fisheries and Wildlife. The commission also inventoried scenic areas.

The plan recommends Woodstock approach land protection by focusing on habitats and ecosystems

to protect native plants and animals, an approach, the plan said, that can also "lead to protecting compatible human uses, such as hunting, hiking, snowmobiling, etc."

Following IF&W guidelines, the plan suggests protecting three types of lands: large blocks of unfragmented forestland (such as the Spruce Mountain/Mollyockett Mountain area); rare plants and animal sites/wildlife habitats, such as vernal pools, deer wintering yards between Little Concord and Shagg ponds, the east side of Lake Christopher, Bald Mountain/Little Concord Pond State Park, and Buck's Ledges; and ripar-

ian areas (near streams and other water bodies), such as Rumford Avenue near Routes 26 and 232, Black Brook crossing Route 26, Andrew's Brook off the Andrews Road, and between Little Concord and Concord ponds.

In addition, the plan recommends making the Woodstock Roadside Spring and public access for recreation top priorities.

Scenic inventory, strategies

The WCC also compiled a scenic inventory, rating views from public roads according to several criteria and assigning points.

The view garnering the most total points was an

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ATTENTION TOWN OF BETHEL TAXPAYERS

This notice is to remind you that the second half of your Fiscal Year 2012 tax bill is due and payable May 1, 2012. Interest will begin to accrue May 2, 2012. For the amount owed, please refer to the bill that you received in the fall of 2011. If you have lost or misplaced your bill you may call the office at 207-824-2669 or email at info@bethelmaine.org for an amount owed.

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PINE GROVE CEMETERY MEETING
May 2 at 7pm
at the home of Freda Davis,
on the Flat Road, Bethel



Letters

PROM DRESSES AT EXCHANGE

To the Editor:

Prom time is coming and the Bethel District Exchange is getting a shipment of 200 quality prom dresses from friends in New York/New Jersey this week. They are selling for \$5 and \$10 each depending on length.

Some have been gently used; some haven't even been worn and still have price tags on them. This is a great way to save a big chunk of money on a prom dress. These are a great savings for all the high school students attending proms (and for their parents!). And, to make it even better, the money raised from the sale of these gowns goes to benefit our Food Pantry.

The District Exchange is located at 23 Mason Street, Bethel. The hours are: Monday, 1-4; Thursday, 4-6; and Saturday 10-noon. Please stop and check out these great gowns.

Betsy Foster

Chair, Bethel Area District Exchange and Food Pantry

ST. NEVER'S DAY SALE

To the Editor:

It is that time of year again and that means spring cleaning. Once more the Bethel Historical Society will hold its annual St. Never's Day Sale this year on Saturday, May 26, 2012 under the tent on my side lawn at the corner of Mason and Broad streets.

As usual, items in good condition are being sought including household goods, furniture, tools, etc. Please no clothing, computers, tires, or other unsaleable items.

Donations may be left on my side porch at 18 Broad Street (directly across from the Bethel Inn) or on the back porch of the Society's O'Neil Robinson House at 10 Broad Street (next door south of the Bethel Library).

All proceeds from this sale help fund the operating costs of the society, so any donations that are made for this cause are deeply appreciated. If items need to be picked up, please call the society office at 824-2908 or (800) 824-2910.

Stan Howe

Bethel

TRACKING WORKSHOP, PHOTOS

To the Editor:

This weekend there will be an exciting presentation out at Mahoosuc Guide Service in Newry, and I wanted to let folks know how lucky we are to have this opportunity right in our backyard.

Susan Morse is an expert tracker and nationally-known wildlife habitat specialist. She will run a two-day workshop on recognizing wildlife signs and interpreting them in the field. Her information can lead participants to the ability to monitor wildlife in their area and understand how these mammals live in their chosen habitat. Wildlife students of all ages whether naturalists, hunters, hikers, teachers or land trust volunteers will find Sue a wealth of information. You will come away far more observant of the natural world around you and better able to interpret what you see.

If you can't afford a whole weekend to do the workshop, Sue will present slide shows on both Friday evening and Saturday evening at Mahoosuc Mountain Lodge. These will focus on the keystone species in our area. Her photographs are stunning and the wisdom she offers is fascinating.

I am really looking forward to learning from Sue Morse this weekend. Spread the word!

Bonnie Pooley

Bethel

CHAMBER AWARDS DINNER

To the Editor:

The Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce has more good reasons to attend the 43rd Annual Bethel Area Chamber Awards Dinner on Friday, May 4, at the Grand Summit Hotel. New this year, SkiEstate Scholarships will be awarded to the following, deserving individuals: Luke Hayward, James Lowell, Sarah Reed, and Lyndsay Merrill. Also, the Student Citizenship Awards to two Telstar H.S. seniors have been selected. They go to Kallie Brown and James Piccirillo.

Other award recipients are Lynn Arizzi, Queda Billings, Mike Halle, Meredith Harrop, Patrice Miller, James Monahan, Leslie Moore, Amanda Moran, Michael O'Donnell, Ann Patten, Scott Stone, Kimberly Tibbets, volunteer of the year (a surprise), as well as Roger Beaudoin and Patrice Miller, owners of Business of the Year, Matterhorn Ski Bar and Marcia Foster-Austin, co-chair, Special Recognition Award to Western Mountains Senior College.

We hope many will come to honor these community members. Everyone is welcome to attend. Chamber membership or affiliation is not necessary. Reservations should be made to the chamber office, 824-2282, no later than Monday, April 30 at noon — a full buffet dinner is \$39 per person.

Robin Zinchuk

Executive Director, Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce

UMBAGOG OR WINNIPESAUKEE?

To the Editor:

In response to the letter of Mr. Robert Lord of Errol, N.H., concerning the Lake Umbagog National Wildlife Refuge.

Mr. Casey, the Refuge manager, is not the villain he seeks to demonize. He is a dedicated, wildlife professional, who is merely following the laws and administrative rules set down by the agency for whom he works, namely, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service within the U.S. Department of the Interior.

A Federal Wildlife Refuge, much like the White Mountain National Forest, has a purchase boundary. As properties within the purchase boundary become available for sale in the real estate market, the Federal Government may or may not choose to buy them from a willing seller. A wildlife refuge, ideally should contain various types of habitat necessary to support the needs of the wildlife species found within its borders.

The Lake Umbagog National Wildlife Refuge is here to stay. I sincerely hope that the refuge will continue to grow and expand. Those of us who reside here are very fortunate to live in one of the most beautiful areas in the United States, and the refuge will ensure that it remains so. Witness the encroaching urbanization of our small state as it spreads northward from the Massachusetts border. Millions of people come to New Hampshire to recreate. They are an economic boon, and an ongoing environmental nightmare.

Creation of the Lake Umbagog National Wildlife Refuge is one of the best things to have happened to this area of the North Country. The remaining undeveloped shoreline of Lake Umbagog will be permanently protected so it will not look like Lake Winnepesaukee.

Keith Kidder

Errol

WELL SAID, BRENDA

To the Editor:

Brenda Stickney's letter to you last week hit the nail on the head. It was well thought out and written and echoed the sentiments of many of the conservatives out here who, in spite of the beliefs of many liberals, are able to think for ourselves. Well said Brenda, keep up the good work!

Rick Whitney

Bethel

PRO AND CON, BRING IT ON

To the Editor:

One is always pleased whenever an intended objective is achieved. Now that my "Ridiculous Tirades" and "Liberal Verbiage" have resulted in multi responses, I would encourage anyone to point out to me, where I have been amiss in my thinking in any of my previous letters to the editor. I am not an irrevocable pundit for anything other than a fair and impartial life style status for the collective citizenry of this nation from the top to bottom. I will always strive to approach reality with an open mind and if anyone can point out to me where my contentions are actually erroneous, I will be glad to change my mind. However, I would suggest to those who might take issue with my points of view that petty name calling and demeaning innuendo will achieve little, other than to discredit their own presentation.

In regard to Richard Grover's presentation "Liberal Verbiage," I do not dispute in any way the accuracy of his presentation as to the intricate complexities involved in the role that the banking and housing industry played in this country's present day economic woes. One of the prime contributors to all the economic adversity that this nation is now experiencing, is the result of a massive influx of rank amateurs striving to compete with the self serving professionals of top monetary one percent, in the realm of vulture capitalist impropriety. It all proved beyond a shadow of a doubt that no economic system, regardless of what ever terminology is devised to identify it, would ever be able to survive such an intense degree of polarization.

In his presentation "Interest And Dismay" Seabury Lyon made pertinent reference to a historical dynamic regarding the negative effect that the prevailing Republican ideology has had in the past, now has in the present, and if allowed to do so, will have in the future.

In the 1800s the Republican party became the champion of, and the advocate for the business community and contended that if the business community and the stock market thrived, that prosperity would "trickle Down" to the working class citizenry. After over a century of non trickle, one might conclude that it would be an exercise in futility for the Republican hierarchy to try to convince the present day struggling ninety-nine percent of the electorate that any sufficient degree of trickle is about to occur. On the contrary the present day Republican ideology now contends that there should be a monetary trickle out of the almost empty pockets of the ninety-nine percent, resulting in a monetary tsunami into the already bulging pockets of the top one percent.

I hope that this presentation evokes continued multi responses both pro and con.

Don Chase

Bethel

WHAT 'INTELLENT LIFE' WOULD WANT THAT?

To the Editor:

My response to the "Tirade Letter" stimulated a tirade of sarcasm and faux "facts" by a self-proclaimed "conservative." I'll take issue with that term first by pointing out that viewed from an historical perspective there is precious little that is "conservative" about current Republican or neocon politics, despite all their protestations.

My dictionary defines conservative as holding "traditional attitudes and values and cautious about change or innovation, typically in relation to politics or religion." I was born into a "conservative" family in the 1930s. I remain to this day as I started life, believing in and living the values and ethics held by my family and our community who identified as Republicans. I remained a registered Republican until three years ago, finally dropping them because they were straying further and further from responsible governance and toward self-dealing, revisionist history and unbridled corporatism. They do that while blaming a trumped up "big government" for the consequences of their irresponsible obstruction of government. They conveniently forget that "the government" is you and me every voting citizen. If WE fail at the job of governing OUR country, corporate and political opportunists sneak in and we suffer the abuses that caused the recent and continuing financial calamity and third-world medical status.

The current batch of Republican luminaries are an embarrassing product of corporatist ideologues and "A.L.E.C." (look it up) than reasoned debate among "an informed electorate." They distract us (in what is supposed to be OUR media) with character assassinations and religious non-issues rather than the merits of truly important issues and far-sighted planning. That is an outrage and offense against American democracy and given the impacts of the Great Recession on millions of Americans, it comes close to the very definition of treason.

Regarding business, responsible corporations are one thing; lying, thieving and toxic ones with no regard for real people and future generations are quite another. They cry crocodile tears about the regulatory requirements they endure when it is their abuse of public trust even death and destruction caused by irresponsible practices that brought the need for regulation in the first place. Want our elected officials to indulge in unlimited self-dealing and corporate bribery? Would you enjoy our media restricted to being nothing more than a corporate megaphone? Do you want your kids to work in an unsafe mine, steel mill, chemical plant, refinery, or farm? Do you really want our rivers, lakes and oceans to be barren, stinking sewers and dumps? Unsafe buildings and roads? Endless financial crashes? Do you want to allow corporations to obliterate your generations-old community? Or to sell our military faulty equipment and facilities that our kids must rely on? What intelligent life on this planet would want that?

Seabury Lyon

Bethel

Celladore

'How do you get water?'

Her black Labrador, Andrew Jackson, insisted on staying with her and there was just room to cram him in on the bedside rug. Fortunately only one water tub was available to him. In early morning we could hear him happily lapping away.

Suddenly all was in order again. The bedroom floor was dry, all the furniture put back, all the snow gone from the roof, so no tubs were cluttering about. I spent a week catching up on reading matter. Came the last storms known as sap snows. I fought what we called the "battle of the drips." B.B. thought I was taking no chances and had tubs everywhere outside. The snow melted very fast; tubs ran over. Spring cleaning was usually done with some order, room by room, topside then downstairs. This year it was utter chaos. Once a tub was ready to overflow, I snatched down more curtains and did them. They were not rehung until the rest of the room was cleaned, so an empty bed was stacked high. Then I did the woolen blankets, then small hooked rugs, then winter clothing, sloshed from one tub to another, spills did not matter. I was just thinking of doing the horse blankets when mercifully the drips ceased.

Rains after that kept tubs full but no overflow. The thirty-first of March it rained all day and gently soaked into the ground through the last patches of snow. The first of April hot sunshine, the second of April rain all day again. Next a.m. B.B. decided to check the well. There was two feet of water above the bottom of the pipe. He filled our cellar tank; by afternoon the water had replaced itself. He hauled his small tank down into the woods to a place we called our machinery shed.

Our Back Pages

Danna Brown Nickerson

10 years ago: Long-time Telstar teacher, coach and administrator Sally Hannan announced that she would retire at the end of the school year.

The golf course at Bethel Inn and Country Club opened nine holes for the season on April 19, the earliest opening date ever.

Four area fire departments combined to keep a fire in the 40-foot-high silo at Bethel Furniture Stock from doing extensive damage.

Deaths: Mary Noyes, Holman C. Davis, Beatrice Burris.

20 years ago: The building at Bean's Corner originally a dance hall, and more recently a hen house and a cow barn, was being torn down.

Rehearsals were underway at Gould Academy for a student presentation of "Godspell."

Births: Ross Daniel Cummings, Mason Jordan Mills, Joshua William Thornton, Alexandria Marie Crockett.

Deaths: Marie Harrold.

30 years ago: Randall Chretien was appointed pastor of North Brewer-Eddington Methodist Church.

Dan Vogt and John Gasser of Bethel ran the Boston Marathon. Dan came in 107, with a time of 2:27:10.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Eypper and family of West Berlin, Germany, were visiting at the home of his mother, Edith Eypper.

Births: Sarah Foster Rackliffe, Cameron Stephen Taylor.

Deaths: Col. Andrew F. Clark, Lloyd B. Lowell.

40 years ago: The Telstar Drama Club was rehearsing for a production of "Arsenic and Old Lace."

Mrs. Albert Bean was guest of honor at a farewell party at the Little Gypsy Restaurant, Gorham, N.H. She was moving to Wolfeboro, N.H., to make her home with her daughter and family.

Births: Matthew Howard Butler, Lorraine Sue Day, Benjamin Kimball Davis.

50 years ago: About five inches of snow fell on April 25, resulting in slippery traveling for several hours.

Richard Waldron and Robert Chadbourne were in Quebec City taking a course on forestry.

Births: Elaine Anne Bailey.

Deaths: Ray E. Cotton, William G. Holt, Miss Ethel Monroe.

60 years ago: Stanley Davis, Stanley Brown and Frank Lowell left for a two- to three-month stay in Juneau, Alaska.

Superintendent Donald M. Christie was re-elected for a seventh one-year term.

Death: Ralph Bacon.

70 years ago: Men 45-65 were called upon to register for the Selective Service.

Death: Mrs. Mabel Dutton.

80 years ago: Guy Morgan was making extensive improvements on the filling station property on the West Bethel Road.

Paul Croteau's home in West Greenwood was destroyed by fire. All furnishings were lost.

Deaths: Amos H. Foster, Robert Farwell.

90 years ago: Robert D. Hanscom was chosen to take part in the Stanley Plummer Prize Speaking Contest to be held at Bowdoin College.

Bethel's new Road Commissioner is using a split-log drag to do the town's roads.

A worker at the Springer Mill lost his thumb and three of his fingers when his hand got caught in a machine.

Death: Joseph Douglass.

110 years ago: J.P. Skillings erected a birch mill in the town of Sumner.

A. F. Andrews and Son of Norway sold \$20,000 worth

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Letters

SPRING CONCERT

To the Editor:

It's spring. The peepers are talking. The ducks, loons and geese are back. The ice is out. Some of the flowers are blooming. Even the crocuses have gone by. The grass is greener. The days are longer.

And another sign of spring

The Mahoosuc Community Band is ready for its spring concert. All are invited Sunday afternoon, May 6, for an afternoon of fun music at 4 p.m. at the West Parish Congregational Church in Bethel. Julie Schubert-Cowan is playing a trumpet solo in a fantastic arrangement of The Yellow Rose of Texas. We have several new songs.

Patricia Boyle-Wight is the director. The band members are all musicians that just play music because it's fun. Many haven't played in several years. The band rehearses Monday nights at 7 p.m. at the Congregational Church basement. New members are always welcome. We specifically encourage young musicians for the summer who want to keep on playing when the school year is over.

Come Sunday afternoon, hear the music and support your local community band. Refreshments will be served following the concert.

Jane Chandler, for The Mahoosuc Community Band

ATVS ARE GOOD FOR BUSINESS

To the Editor:

On Saturday, April 21, 2012, six members of the Roxbury ATV Riders Club (three officers and their spouses) attended the ATV Maine Annual Banquet held at Jeff's Catering, Brewer, Maine, just across the river from Bangor. Each year we find out how much ATViing in Maine is increasing.

Here are some facts presented at that meeting that area towns and chambers of commerce should jump on to welcome the ATV business into their towns.

1) In 2002 revenue to the state on resident and nonresident registrations and income from grants and gas taxes have risen from \$287,835 to \$1,229,593. There were more ATV registrations last year than snowmobile registrations. ATViing has a longer season than snowmobiling. The number of ATV clubs has more than doubled and continues to increase.

2) The current estimated economic impact to the state of Maine (and this is very important to businesses to note) for registrations, gas purchases, food, lodging, Gifts/souvenirs went from \$250 million to an estimated half billion dollars and is still increasing today. ATViing is a family-oriented sport where the littlest to the oldest can participate.

3) The state has spent over \$8,000,000, in the last 10 years on ATV trails and maintenance. These funds do not come from taxpayers; it is strictly derived from registration fees along with .0001 percent from the gas tax. Each trail grant includes money for landowner relation expenditures that are totally unrelated to trails.

4) Maine has the largest ATV Trail System in the United States with over 6,500 miles of trails in the state. (Wisconsin claims to have more but this is based on their state counting in all logging trails). As far as actual ATV Trails goes, we boast the most in the whole country. Many of these trails are multi-use (meaning, ATVs, snowmobiling, dirt bikes and horses). ATV trail mileage has increased 200 percent and is still growing.

5) Sixty percent of the trail systems are open to everyone. They say this because now with the introduction of side by sides, some of the trails aren't wide enough for them; however, a Maine ATV Trail Map shows all the trails available to all types of vehicles.

6) ATV clubs in Maine have worked with 2,564 landowners for their permission to build and maintain these trails in the state.

7) ATV clubs in Maine ride and donate funds to many charities. They have toy runs so children will have toys at Christmas time; they collect funds throughout the year and donate to Make-A-Wish. Last year over \$10,000 was donated to this worthy cause; they support Pine Tree Camps for Children, Camp Capella and now award a scholarship each year to a student. Each club also runs local fundraisers and donates to area nonprofits and families who may need assistance. This year ATV Maine has a calendar raffle and the proceeds this year will be going to: Make A Wish, Al Langley Scholarship, and Pine Tree Camp. Calendars are \$10 each and the drawings will begin July 1. There are 27 \$100 prizes, three \$500 prizes and one \$1,000 prize. See Mike Worthley of the Roxbury ATV Club for a calendar — 545-2715 or mworthley@roadrunner.com.

8) ATV clubs run a safety course for the age of old enough to ride to 99 years old. It is now required in the state of Maine that anyone under the age of 16 must have a safety course certificate in order to ride and up to the age of 16, and up to age 10 should be riding with an adult.

9) Revenue to the state is split into conservation and IF & W. There has been a 300 percent increase in the last 10 years.

10) Many municipalities are getting involved to get their piece of the economic pie. Many municipalities now allow ATVs into their town and have areas where they can go to ride into town to go to the local stores, because they see the economic impact from ATVs from buying gas, food, etc., while on day rides, whereas overnight rides will impact lodging, etc.

11) ATV Maine closes all ATV trails to ATV riding during Mud Season until approximately May 15, 2012. Actual closure dates will vary across the state based on local conditions. Landowners or clubs have the right to close trails at any time due to trail conditions. For further information contact the ATV Club in the area that you wish to ride.

12) ATV riders are safe, clean and courteous and only want to enjoy the trails. The motto is: "Tread Lightly" which they strive to do.

This year at the annual 2012 State of Maine 32nd annual Sportsman's Show, which included 130 booths, with several exhibits and more than 100 seminars and event, they offered for children, Trout Unlimited continuing its tradition of free fly-tying lessons, ATV Maine offered ATV rides in the parking lot, and the Maine Bow hunter's Association taught archery.

I guess the purpose of this letter is to encourage our local town selectmen and chambers to look into the ATV business and try to get a piece of that economic pie for this area. Any business reading this letter should be able to see the impact they can have on area businesses.

ATViing should not be considered taboo by towns. Yes, there are some out there who do not get landowner permission and these people's registrations should be taken down and a game warden should be called, who will then deal with the perpetrator.

Only through cooperation from landowners, towns, area clubs doing their due diligence, rider education and responsibility to all will this continue to be a sport the whole family can enjoy.

Oh yes, today the River Valley Chamber of Commerce will be awarding the Roxbury ATV Riders, the Non-Profit/Community Service Leadership Award. This award recognizes a group's effort which has made a significant contribution in the enhancement of the community or regional involvement in the River Valley Area.

Jane Ryerson, Treasurer, Roxbury ATV Riders

Briefly

Mountain Lions at Wildlife Park

GRAY— On Friday, May 4, at 11 a.m., Maine Wildlife Park visitors and local media are invited to enjoy the Grand Opening of the Park's new, state-of-the-art Mountain Lion Exhibit.

MDIFW Commissioner Chandler Woodcock will be in attendance and will assist Ray Clark, president of the Friends of the Maine Wildlife Park, to officiate the ribbon-cutting ceremony.

Over a year in construction, this ambitious project was funded in large part by the Friends of the Maine Wildlife Park. Additional and substantial contributions in time, labor and landscaping came from Park volunteers, inmates from Windham Correctional Center, MDIFW engineering and Wildlife Park staff.

This new, spacious cougar exhibit is a total of 3,500 square feet, the largest exhibit of its kind in New England. It features boulders, caves and large trees to simulate the cougar's natural habitat, as well as large glass-viewing panels the length of the exhibit to allow for wonderful viewing and photography opportunities. The exhibit has been dedicated to Connie Kippax, a former Wildlife Park volunteer whose favorite animal was the cougar, and who spent thousands of hours leading tours and teaching about the park's wildlife.

On Saturday, May 5, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., the Maine Wildlife Park on Route 26 in Gray will feature special exhibits and displays about the three wild cat species indigenous to Maine — the Canada Lynx, Bobcat, and Mountain Lion.

Three Big Cat 'Discovery Stations' will be staffed with activities and games designed for kids and their parents to learn more about Maine's wild cats.

Special Big Cat feeding times have been scheduled on Saturday for visitors to view the cats and what and how they eat. At 12 noon, the bobcats will have lunch; at 1 p.m. the Canada Lynx will eat and at 2 p.m., watch the mountain lion dine.

Canada Lynx are listed as a threatened species in Maine and are fully protected; however a seven-year MDIFW study of our lynx population revealed there are up to 600 animals living in remote, northwestern regions of the state. Bobcats are found statewide, and their overall population is considered healthy and stable. Although a reproducing population of Mountain Lions has long been extirpated from Maine (they are no longer found in the state; but healthy populations exist elsewhere); sightings of individual cougars are reported to the Department of Fish and Wildlife regularly.

The relocation of the wildlife park mountain lions allowed us to move the four bobcats into the former cougar exhibit, giving them much more room to roam both horizontally and vertically. This active family of wild cats should provide great viewing for Park visitors.

The Maine Wildlife Park has over 30 species of native wildlife on display, plus wildlife gardens, nature trails, a fish hatchery and other interactive exhibits and displays. The park is open daily from April 15 through Nov. 11 from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; visitors must exit the premises by 6 p.m.

Admission to the park is free for ages 3 and under; \$5 ages 5-12; \$7 for adults, and \$5 for seniors. Groups of 15 or more are \$3.50 per person. Family and Community Season Passes are available.

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Fireworks

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taking no action on fireworks, especially since there was no evidence Bethel has a fireworks problem.

But Selectman Pat Carter suggested a moratorium on their use.

Her concern, she said, was the skateboard park.

"Having had kids and grandkids and knowing the kinds of things they're likely to do, I'm concerned about it, I'm very concerned," Carter said.

But Doar said that an ordinance prohibiting the use of fireworks at the park would be unnecessary.

"That's public land," he said, "and if that's a concern the board shares, it's easy. It doesn't require an ordinance to restrict the use of fireworks on town land."

"We can do that the same way we stopped smoking down there," he said.

Selectman Don Bennett, noted the absence of any apparent fireworks problem, and argued for a wait-and-see approach.

"I say we do nothing and let it play out. If something comes down the pike we deal with it," he said.

Board Chair Stan Howe agreed. "I don't see anything that alarming that we have to do anything at the moment," Howe said.

State law
The board went on to discuss aspects of state law that already bore on the fireworks issue.

They included the fact that it is illegal for anyone under 21 to use fireworks, or for anyone, regardless of age, to use them anywhere but on their own

property.

Speaking from the audience, resident Ozzie Hart pointed out that since renters do not own the properties they are renting, they cannot use fireworks there.

The use of fireworks is also restricted to 9 a.m. to 10 p.m., except on July 4, Dec. 31, and the weekends immediately before and after those dates, when they may be used until 12:30 a.m.

For more on Maine's fireworks laws, go to www.maine.gov/dps/fmo/fireworks.

Town Manager Jim Doar said Wednesday that fireworks will be on the agenda for the board's next meeting, May 14, but he does not expect any further board action on the matter.

Woodstock

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area of Route 26 north, with views of North, South and Round ponds, with Buck's Ledge.

Nine other areas were also identified, located on Milton, Gore, Cushman, Curtis Hill, Harbor, Old County, Billings Hill and Andrews roads.

The plan, again citing the Comprehensive Plan, also recommends strategies for conservation, such as insuring that shoreline-zoning ordinances and Natural Resource Protection Act provisions are "effectively implemented and enforced."

Options for purchasing land or conservation easements from willing sellers are also outlined, including grants, raising money through taxation, utilizing fees from subdivisions and use of funds from tax program penalties, any of which would have to be approved by voters.

The town also recently established a non-lapsing conservation account with \$80,000 received from Patriot Renewables, the company that built the Spruce Mountain LLC wind project.

To gather residents' input in creating the plan, the WCC held two public hearings and sought input from fifth-graders at the Woodstock Elementary School.

Among other information or points made in the plan or in last week's presentation:

Woodstock has some of the largest uninterrupted areas of land in western Maine;

In four state bond ref-

erenda over the last 13 years on raising funds for the Land for Maine's Future land-buying program, Woodstock voters have approved each by roughly a 2-to-1 margin;

Woodstock's OSP will provide people interested in developing land, and the Woodstock Planning Board, with clear prioritized areas where development should be discouraged, but would also portray the majority of land where development would have a minimal impact on natural resources.

It is important to include educational programs in schools to make youngsters realize that it is a privilege to use land, not a right.

Next steps

At the end of the presentation, WCC member Marcel Polak said the commission would like, with selectmen's permission, to research what lands might be feasible to acquire or seek an easement for.

He also recommended the WCC research the legal status of protection for the popular roadside spring, which is bounded by private land, and hire a consultant to determine if buffers might be needed to protect the quality of the water. "It's a resource we can't afford to lose," said Polak.

He also said the WCC was not asking selectmen to approve the Open Space Plan.

"There is nothing actionable," he said. He stressed three points: there would be no specific recommendations from the WCC for spending money, or on

how to use land, and no "championing" of land use ordinances.

In recent years land use issues have been the subject of sometimes-heated debate in the region, as private property owners worried that their rights could be threatened by protection efforts.

Polak said the WCC asked only that the board "accept" the plan.

Selectman Steve Bies, however, was cautious about that term.

To him, he said, accepting "means that whatever vision you hold for the future is what we believe the community as a whole holds. I don't see it that way. I don't know enough to be able to verify that that is the case. In terms of us taking some action here - to me that's something that's going to have to develop over time."

Selectman Ron Deegan said he would accept the plan, "but that doesn't necessarily mean I support it - which I'm not saying I'm not. I'll take everything you've said under advisement."

The board praised the WCC for the many hours of work they had put into the effort.

Polak said later the WCC will discuss any future steps regarding the spring and lands that might be researched at the commission's next meeting.

A copy of the plan is available at the town office.

The WCC members are Polak, Jim and Jane Chandler, Jen Chase, Peter Fetchko, Ed Rosenberg and Nancy Willard.

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several positions that have been funded temporarily by the federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Act and by a donation by Patriot Renewables, the company that built the Spruce Mountain wind project.

Those positions include two half-time secretary positions, one at Telstar High School and one at Crescent Park Elementary School; a district maintenance worker; a THS custodian; a half-time THS teacher; an elementary teacher (all funded by ARRA), and a WES teacher (Patriot Renewables).

Also factored into the budget is part of the operating cost for the Andover Elementary School.

Under a recent agreement between the town of Andover and the district, Andover will pay less additional money (over its usual district share) next year to operate AES - \$68,000 compared to \$214,000 this year.

The difference will be added to the overall SAD 44 local share, which will increase by \$95,844 to

\$7,658,995, a 1.27 percent hike. The increase broken down by towns is as follows: Andover 2.8 percent (not including the extra \$68,000, or subtracting this year's \$214,000); Bethel 1.3 percent; Greenwood 3.13 percent; Newry .9 percent and Woodstock -2 percent.

The breakdowns do not include the proposed Adult Education budget of \$105,368 (with an \$80,422 local share).

Superintendent Dave Murphy noted that the proposed FY13 general fund budget is about \$11,000 less than the FY08 budget, while the local share has increased over that time by approximately \$2 million (largely due to a decline in state aid).

This year, said Murphy, "the impact to the locals is very modest. The overall increase to the budget is 2.69 percent. Considering the years that we've had, and considering that this budget approximates the 2007-2008 budget, I think the Finance Committee has done a really good job of scrutinizing this very,

very carefully. ... One of the prime considerations in this conversation was that we need to now start rebuilding some things in our school system that we've had to trim back for many years."

The board will meet again May 7 for an anticipated final vote on the proposal, with a goal to bring it to voters at a district-wide budget meeting in late May and in a referendum in June.

In other business Monday, directors approved a three-year contract with the AFSCME union, which includes many support staff. They will receive pay increases of 2, 2.5 and 3 percent over the next three years, according to Murphy.

In other actions the board approved a THS senior class trip to New Hampshire and a school calendar for next year, as well as several policy items.

They also heard presentations on gender-equity training from Woodstock Teaching Principal Jolene Littlehale.

NEWS AND PHOTOS FROM CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

The deadline for clubs and organizational items is noon Monday, but earlier submission is appreciated.

Photos: When submitting photographs, please identify the nature and date of the activity, the names of everyone shown in the photograph, and the name of the photographer. Please also provide the name and telephone number of a contact person.

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The Way I See It

by Sharon Bouchard

I've never been an especially vain person in terms of my physical appearance. As a teenager, I went through the Cover Girl make-up phase and wouldn't dream of going anywhere without spreading on a coat of Peach Blush lipstick, but that seemed more like a finishing touch than a beauty enhancer.

As an adult I would use a little liquid make-up, some blush and lipstick if I felt I was looking a bit pale. On special dress-up occasions I added some mascara. I didn't use eye shadow because I never acquired the knack of applying it and ended up looking like a poor imitation of a circus clown.

I went to a Mary Kay party once and got talked into buying all kinds of make-up and moisturizers that I rarely ever used. I didn't buy the stuff because I thought it would make me look beautiful; I bought it because I was a push-over.

I never saw myself as beautiful and I never saw myself as homely either. I saw myself as okay, not unattractive, but certainly no head turner.

Though I always tried to be neat, comb my hair and wash any smudges from my face I figured my beauty or lack thereof is what God gave me and that was okay with

me. Lately, however, God has decided to give me some pretty serious wrinkles.

For some time I have noticed some crows feet and a few laugh lines. I never gave them a lot of thought other than to think the faint lines added character. Now it looks like the crows have been wearing snowshoes and that I've been laughing a bit too much. This is no laughing matter and I am not amused.

"The only thing that will work for you is plastic surgery and we can't afford it."

Even though, as the saying goes that wrinkles don't hurt they are bringing out a vanity in me that I never knew existed.

Now I find myself watching every television commercial for age-defying make-up, creams and moisturizers with rapt attention.

It's amazing how many of these products there are available, so I guess that I'm not the only one wishing to halt the ravages of time on my face.

One particular commercial caught my atten-

tion with its promises of erasing crows feet and laugh lines in as little as seven days. I was seeing myself a week away with smooth and wrinkle-free skin when my husband said, "You do realize that the girl in the commercial is at least 40 years younger than you, probably more like 45 years younger."

Sometimes my husband shows great wisdom and I realized he was absolutely correct. It would be foolish to spend hard-to-come-by money on a product thinking it would work for me as well as for a young woman who won't see crows feet for at least another 40 years.

My wise husband was not showing great sensitivity when he said, "The only thing that will work for you is plastic surgery and we can't afford it."

He did at least redeem himself a little when he added, "You'll always be beautiful to me so don't worry about a few wrinkles."

I am going to take Henry's advice and not worry about a few wrinkles. I know that with time they will increase, but so what! This is the face God gave me and these are the wrinkles He or She feels I should have and the way I see it that's okay. After all, they do give me a lot of character.

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Lyme

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downward spiral," Buker said. As she sought a diagnosis, she said, "I was in treatment for eight or 10 different things. I was told I had stress, that I had depression, that I was a hypochondriac."

In 2008, now unable to work, she was tested for Lyme. It came back negative.

After a long search for another doctor, she went to what is referred to as a "Lyme literate" doctor, who diagnosed her based on her symptoms. She also had a second test for Lyme, a different type (Igenex Western blot) than the first. It came back positive.

She began treatment with oral antibiotics in June of that year. "I was told I may get sicker before I get better," she said.

Initially her symptoms improved, but she said she then had a Herxheimer reaction (an increase in symptoms when a treatment is started), "which seemed to cycle almost monthly. I was steadily improving, but in the fall of 2008, I began to have more severe neurological symptoms, and unexplained eye symptoms."

Buker continued to see doctors, including an ophthalmologist, a neurologist, and an ear, nose and throat specialist, all of whom were skeptical either of the initial Lyme diagnosis, or that she might have chronic Lyme (persistent symptoms and a persistent infection by the bacteria, a condition whose existence is up for debate in the medical community).

"I just could not believe it. Once again I was devastated," she said.

Her Lyme doctor and an optometrist recommended intravenous antibiotics, she said.

After a fundraiser to help her with expenses, in June 2010 Buker went to Washington, D.C., to see Lyme specialist Dr. Joseph Jemsek.

She said she came home with instructions for 10 months of IV treatment, which was supervised by a doctor in Rumford.

Buker started her IV treatments at home in October of 2010, then after being approved for disability status and going on Medicare, went to Rumford Hospital for treatments, she said.

"I had adverse reactions to some of the medications and was hospitalized on several occasions," she said.

She had treatments five days a week from February to August of 2011.

"I had to stop in August because the side effects were too much," she said. "I did it for 10 months and it was worth it. It turned around most of my symptoms, including neurological and eye symptoms. Although I finished IV therapy in August, it wasn't until October that I felt alive again."

But symptoms began coming back over Christmas, and in January she went back on oral antibiotics. "Now I am facing IV therapy again," said Buker.

She hopes this time she won't get as sick, reasoning that the bacteria have



Rhonda Buker (left) and Diane Farnum. (Photo: A. Aloisio)

had only 10 months to re-infect her, rather than 10 years.

"There is no known cure for chronic Lyme Disease," she said. "I don't think I will ever get my old life back. My hope is to restore my health back to a place where I can function. Treatment has shown me that I can get better."

Note: Long-term antibiotics such as Buker had are questioned by some in the medical establishment. They cite several concerns, among them: that the antibiotics have no effect on symptoms that linger (referred to by the Centers for Disease Control as Post-Treatment Lyme Disease Syndrome, rather than chronic Lyme) after initial treatment; that patients may develop allergies to the medication; and that long-time use can promote the development of antibiotic-resistant bacteria.

Farnum

When Buker was first diagnosed with Lyme, Farnum had been under treatment for three years. Unlike Buker, she can't trace

her symptoms back to a bite.

"I lived on Main Street in Mexico," she said. "I'm not an outdoor person."

After experiencing a progression of symptoms similar to Buker's that began in 2000, Farnum was finally tested with the Western blot blood test and found positive. "I've been on and off antibiotics and herbs since 2005," she said.

With the initial treatment, she said, "I had an immediate improvement in the amnesia, within the first few weeks."

But, she said, "It was over a year into the treatment before I actually felt good."

"I still have days when I am totally disabled and in bed. Those days are few and far between, and they are not as long or as intense as they used to be."

Farnum formerly worked full-time, but now works part-time.

Tips to avoid infection Both women have also had recent encounters with ticks. For Farnum, it was a telltale red ring on her scalp that was found by her hairdresser, result-

ing in another round of antibiotics.

For Buker, it was a deer tick she found on the back of her head during last month's warm spell, also prompting more antibiotics.

Both said they know numerous other local people who have had Lyme Disease.

The women have some suggestions for preventing infection.

People going outside during tick season - anytime other than the frozen parts of the year - should wear strong tick repellent and check themselves and their family members. Because the ticks and their nymphs (young stage) are so tiny, the women said, they personally find it easier to feel them than see them.

"When my grandchildren come inside, we do 'tick checks,'" said Farnum. "We've done it since they were babies."

But it's still not foolproof - her grandson was bitten, got a rash and had a course of antibiotics.

They are also wary of the general rule that ticks that are on the body less than 24 hours rarely transmit Lyme. "I think any attached tick puts you at risk," said Buker, suggesting people still watch for symptoms or see a doctor.

The women keep their yards clear of leaf and grass litter, places that ticks and nymphs love to hide while they wait for a warm body to come along.

Buker and Farnum have also been working to educate others about the prevention, diagnosis and

treatment by making brochures available at many locations. Information sources that the women cite include organizations such as Maine Lyme, the Lyme Disease Association of Southeastern Pennsylvania, and Lyme Disease Association, Inc.

They also attend conferences, and it was a conference in New Hampshire a year ago that prompted them to organize one here. "When we came out, we said 'we're going to do this next year,'" said Farnum.

Conference

Their conference, the first annual Western Maine Lyme Disease Awareness Conference, will take place May 5 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Mountain Valley Middle School in Mexico. It is free to the public.

The women have arranged for Dr. Mark Weatherbee, an optometrist, and Dr. Bea Szantyr, a pediatrician, to speak. Szantyr is a member of an online support group in which Buker and Farnum are active, said Buker, and she does voluntary Lyme Disease presentations throughout Maine. Weatherbee, Szantyr's husband, also does such presentations, Buker said, and he was the optometrist who evaluated her.

A representative of Maine Lyme will also participate. Panelists will include an adult and a child patient, as well as relatives of Lyme patients.

For more information contact Buker at 824-3076 or raydar@megalink.net; or Farnum at 357-1926 or dianefarnum@yahoo.com.

Further information from Centers for Disease Control

Following is information on Lyme Disease taken from the websites of the Maine Center for Disease Control and the Federal Centers for Disease Control:

Maine Center for Disease Control

Removing ticks: Using tweezers, grab the tick at its mouth, and using firm, steady pressure pull the tick out. If a tick is known to have been attached to the skin for less than 24 hours, the chance of getting Lyme disease is very small. In general, ticks need to be attached for 24 to 48 hours before they can give someone Lyme disease. But to be safe, people bitten should monitor their health closely for one month after a bite, and call a doctor with any early signs of the disease.

Symptoms: Early signs usually occur within the first month after the tick bite. Later symptoms would occur several weeks to several months later. Symptoms may include: a ring-like rash around the area of the tick bite - The rash could resemble a bull's eye with a clearing center and a distinct ring around it; Flu-like symptoms (fatigue, headache, fever, muscle or joint soreness). Stage signs of Lyme disease include: arthritis, neurological (nerves) problems, cardiovascular (heart) problems.

Federal Centers for Disease Control

Accuracy of testing: The accuracy of the test depends upon the stage of disease. During the first few

weeks of infection, such as when a patient has an erythema migrans rash, the test is expected to be negative. Several weeks after infection, currently available ELISA, EIA and IFA tests and two-tier testing have very good sensitivity. It is possible for someone who was infected with Lyme disease to test negative because: Some people who receive antibiotics (e.g., doxycycline) early in disease (within the first few weeks after tick bite) may not develop antibodies or may only develop them at levels too low to be detected by the test. Antibodies against Lyme disease bacteria usually take a few weeks to develop, so tests performed before this time may be negative even if the person is infected. In this case, if the person is retested a few weeks later, they should have a positive test if they have Lyme disease. It is not until 4-6 weeks have passed that the test is likely to be positive.

Testing positive after treatment: The tests for Lyme disease detect antibodies made by the immune system to fight off the bacteria, Borrelia burgdorferi. Your immune system continues to make the antibodies for months or years after the infection is gone. This means that once your blood tests positive, it will continue to test positive for months to years, even though the bacteria are no longer present. Unfortunately, in the case of bacterial infections, these anti-

bodies don't prevent someone from getting Lyme disease again if they are bitten by another infected tick.

Recovery after treatment: Patients treated with antibiotics in the early stages of the infection usually recover rapidly and completely. Most patients who are treated in later stages of the disease also respond well to antibiotics, although some may have suffered long-term damage to the nervous system or joints. Approximately 10-20 percent of patients experience fatigue, muscle aches, sleep disturbance, or difficulty thinking even after completing a recommended course of antibiotic treatment. These symptoms cannot be cured by longer courses of antibiotics, but they generally improve on their own, over time.

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OCSD Patrol Log

Tuesday, April 17

At 12:55 a.m. Deputy Dave Hodgson talked with three females sleeping on picnic tables at Davis Park in Bethel.

At 7:38 p.m. a Mayville Road business asked that an earlier criminal trespass warning against an individual be disregarded by the OCSD.

At 7:41 p.m. a report was received of money and items stolen from a Mayville business in Bethel. The subject had given the store three rolls of dimes that were filled with pennies. Deputy Dave Hodgson was assigned.

Wednesday, April 18

At 8:25 p.m. a caller reported an ATV with a male and female on Route 26 in Greenwood traveling north with the flow of traffic. It then turned onto the Gore Road. A second call reported the left front light was out, and the muffler very loud. Deputy Sullivan Rizzo was assigned.

Thursday, April 19

At 9:30 p.m. on Route 2 in Bethel Cpl. Brian Landis stopped a defective motor vehicle for an inspection violation.

Friday, April 20

At 8:31 a.m. a caller on Church Street in Bethel asked to talk to a deputy about a person who may be a sex offender. Sgt. Tim Holland was assigned.

At 8:21 p.m. a subject reported a New Hampshire car traveling at a high rate of speed southbound on Route 26 in Woodstock. The driver was reported to be traveling over 80 mph and texting at the same time. Cpl. Brian Landis was assigned.

At 6:05 p.m. a caller reported finding a credit card on the Pathway in Bethel. Deputy Willie Nelson was assigned.

Saturday, April 21

At 5:06 a.m. a report was received of a truck off the road in a ditch on the Concord Pond Road in Woodstock. Subjects had been trying unsuccessfully to get it out and had reportedly torn up the road. Sgt. Tim Holland was assigned.

Sunday, April 22

At 10:57 a.m. a caller reported young children riding full-sized ATVs up and down a residential road in Bethel. Cpl. Chancey Libby was assigned.

(Time not listed) a caller reported a car with four subjects in it cruising slowly on Vail Drive in Newry. The caller was concerned because there had been several break-ins in the area. Deputy Josh Wyman and Cpl. Chancey Libby were assigned.

At 7:15 p.m. a complainant reported having information on a subject in Bethel who had an abuse order against a second subject, but who was with the subject. Cpl. Justin Brown was assigned.

Oxford County Jail Log:

(Bethel region)

April 20, 7:30 p.m.: Richard J. Hayes, 60, of Woodstock, criminal threatening, criminal trespass, indecent conduct/public; by Deputy Matt Noyes in Woodstock.

April 25, 12:30 a.m.: Brice C. Gammon, 31, of Andover, operating after suspension, OUI; by Deputy George Cayer in Andover.

Bethel

By NANCY BROWN



There will be a Benefit Supper for Silas Brown on Sat., April 28, from 5 to 8 p.m. at the United Methodist Church on Main Street in Bethel. The meal will include spaghetti, salad, garlic bread, and desserts. Donations will be accepted and there will be a Chinese auction table. Proceeds from the supper will help provide specialized therapy and adaptive equipment for Silas Brown, a child with cerebral palsy.

The Bethel Senior Citizens Club will meet on Wednesday, May 9, at the West Bethel Grange Hall for its monthly meeting and luncheon. Due to unforeseen circumstances, the Grange won't provide the lunch, but it will be potluck. Everyone is asked to bring a dish to share. The meeting will start at 11 a.m., followed by the potluck lunch.

Weight Watchers, one of the top weight-loss groups in the country, is looking for new members in the Bethel area. The group meets Wednesdays at 5 p.m. at Jade's Salon. For details on joining, call Ginny Gamble at 824-7340.

The wildflowers are flourishing. In my walk this week near the Androscoggin I saw bloodroot, Dutchman's-breeches, cat's paws (pussytoes), and wild strawberry blossoms. It's definitely spring. The black flies and ticks are out. Make sure your pets have had their flea and tick treatments. Hopefully this week's rain will not only lower the fire danger but it will push out more spring plants.

If you have news you'd like to share, call me at 824-2483 or e-mail nancybrown1150@yahoo.com.

day, Arlene, her daughter Esther along with her husband went to Bucksport. It sure was a great day for a ride.

Paul Kimball told me that his son, Jim, and his daughter, Kristen, came up for the weekend. Jim and Velora treated Charlotte and Paul to a nice dinner in honor of their 49th Anniversary, which was on April 20. Belated Happy Anniversary from the whole neighborhood.

The American Legion will be having their Supper Dance the second Tuesday of May with the Boulder Ridge Band. Supper starts at 5 p.m. and the dance at 6:30 til 9:30. Come, have some fun and support your local Legion at Locke Mills Hall on the Gore Road.

It is time for the new Trivia question, and please be sure to call me at 824-3220 or e-mail han@megalink.net with your answer or whatever else you'd like to share. Here we go, "When did the Town start levying a tax on dogs?"

Have a great week and try and stay out off the rain.

Gilead

By LIN CHAPMAN



The rain has finally arrived and, according to the weatherman, there is more coming for most of the rest of the week.

My brother, Steve McLain, has been busy with spring clean-up around his yard. He has got to be thinking about getting the garden ready, too.

Steve and Lise McLain spotted a couple of Bald Eagles circling over their house this past week.

Hugh and I stopped at Tim and Michele's last Saturday to visit for awhile. While we were there, Michele's parents, Leo and Ann Croteau, came by for a short visit. We all had to go down by the brook to check out the dam that the grandkids had built. They were having a lot of fun and so was Chloe, the dog. Hopefully, the rain that is coming will not wash all their hard work away.

Tim, Michele and our grandchildren, William, Annie, Ajay and Sidney, were at the house last Sunday. They brought cake and presents to celebrate

Grampa's birthday. When they came across the Wild River Bridge, Tim noticed a couple of Bald Eagles in a tree beside the river. One of them was bigger and had the white head, and the other was all brown.

Our grandson, Benjamin Chapman, called from Georgia where he is attending college. He wanted to wish Grampa a Happy Birthday. He will be finishing school there at the end of May and after a short break, he will be heading for the US Coast Guard Academy in Connecticut. He just received an award for academic excellence.

Our son, Chris Chapman, also called from St. Cloud, Minn., with birthday wishes. Today is also Kym's birthday so they were going out to celebrate.

Tim works at the Berlin City Auto Group in Gorham, N.H., in the service department as a service adviser. He recently had a chance to surprise a customer who came in to get some work done on his car. This customer is also a faithful reader of this column. Ernest Angevine was pleased to see him when Tim came up and introduced himself.

Hugh was busy this past week building a couple of new raised beds. We have had one for a couple of years that Tim built and can get quite a few vegetables in it so decided to add another to grow more veggies. One of the boxes is smaller and will be used to beautify the front yard with some flowers.

Got any news? Call 836-2987 or e-mail chapmal@hotmail.com

Andover

By JANE RICH



The Birthday Supper is this Saturday, April 28, at the First Congregational Church. There will be two sittings, at 5 and 6 p.m. The menu is turkey and all the fixings with birthday cake for dessert. Adults are \$8/children \$4.

A reminder that the essay contest with the topic "Why I love Andover School" will continue until May 18. Submissions may be made in one of three ways, in written form to John and Carol Emery, dictated on cassette or to a committee member in person or over the phone, or via the Internet to Roger and Barbara Sabin at rbsabin@yahoo.com. Prizes of \$100 each will be awarded in three

age categories, 5-12 years 12-19 years, and 20 years and up.

At the May 1 Selectmen's meeting, the Fire Chief and Selectmen will be discussing ladder truck regionalization options. The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. at the Town Hall.

This Saturday, April 28 is Free Medicine Disposal Day across the nation. If you have out-dated medicines you may take them to the Sheriff's Office in Bethel or the Rumford Police Department. It's important to keep these materials out of our water system as they lead to contamination.

The Andover Alumni Association has sent out invitations to the annual banquet to be held on Saturday, May 26, at the Andover Elementary School gym cafeteria. If you did not get an invitation, please contact Melinda Averill at 392-2941.

Albany



Sorry that I have been away for so long. I had back surgery on April 4 and am finally home after a two-week stay with Doug and Jen. What would we do without our wonderful children who take such good care of us. I am gaining slowly but surely. The Doctor's orders were to walk, walk, walk. I do that a little more each day but still get tired easily.

Just a reminder that the Albany Improvement Association will be having a sale this summer, so keep us in mind as you are cleaning out and getting ready for summer. We have no place to store stuff right now so hang on to what you have and we will let you know when you can bring it to us.

Margaret Barton went to Conway last Wednesday to shop and visit her friend Sarah Barton. On Friday she visited her Aunt Jan Jacobs in Norway. Franklin, Jimmy, Justin Barton and Justin's girlfriend Kylie went horn putting and had a great time catching lots of fish.

Douglas turned 37 on Friday, so I took them all out to the Cho Sun Restaurant for sushi. We had a grand time. Doug and Jen's friend Eric Jerge-son joined us.

Friday night Doug cooked a wonderful dinner for his family, myself and Chris and Elton Cole. Jen made Doug a delicious strawberry/rhubarb pie for an early birthday celebration.

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I will be home until May 14 and then back to school. Sure do miss everyone. Please send me some news or give a call as I need news badly. Have a great week!

Hanover

By CLEM WORCESTER



The Hanover Select Board met April 17 for their monthly meeting. An issue from several years ago arose when South Shore Road property owners attended the meeting to talk to the Board about the possibility of upgrading and plowing South Shore Road. The Board agreed to look into the situation. The Board voted to donate \$200 toward the Rumford Independence Day celebration. The Board welcomed Selectman Frank Morrison back to the board due to a cold weather leave of absence.

The Maine School of Applied Technology Region 9 Regional Budget Meeting has been called for May 2, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will be at the Region 9 facility at 377 River Road in the Mexico. Three articles will be acted upon including electing a moderator; the Region 9 operating budget for 2012/2013 and the adult education budget for 2012/2013.

The signature walkathon event of the National Alliance of Mental Illness (NAMI) will take place in Portland, Maine, at Back Cove Park on May 12, 2012. Dottie Adams plans to be in the hike and she would like folks to walk with them or participate by donating. Visit her team's page at <http://www.nami.org/namiwalks12/MNE/teamadams> and to make a donation visit <http://www.nami.org/walkdonation.cfm?201281>. Donating online is fast and secure. NAMI is a 501 (C) 3 charity and donations are tax deductible. The goals of the NAMI Walks program are: to fight the stigma that surrounds mental illness, to build awareness that the mental health system in this country needs to be improved and to raise funds for NAMI so they can continue their mission.

Barbara Butler has returned to her Howard Pond Road home after spending the winter further south.

Long-time Rumford Fire Department Captain Spencer Couture has resigned his position. After many long hours at fires and accidents all times of day and night he will enjoy a little bit slower life. Area folks who relied on his

help in times of need will miss him.

There have been several bear sightings in the area including near the Solid Waste and Recycle Center in Bethel.

The remarkably dry spring eased somewhat by rains earlier this week. Surely caution with fire will still be the rule for a while to come.

Rumford Grange 115 will have its annual Free Seed Day on Saturday, May 5. Seed companies donated the seeds to help promote agriculture. The event will take place from 9 a.m. to noon at the Rumford Center Grange Hall.

More Rumford Grange 115 news; the first dinner of the season will be Sunday, May 6, from noon to 1:30 p.m. It will be a baked ham dinner with potatoes, vegetables salad, pickles and rolls, and of course those famous homemade pies created by the Grange ladies. The dinner will be at the Rumford Center Grange Hall and costs \$8 for adults and \$3.50 for those under 12.

Locke's Mills

By BETSEY FOSTER



Bill Bickford has been appointed as alternate to the Greenwood Board of

Appeals, and Jim St. Germaine has taken a medical leave of absence from the Planning Board. Good wishes with your treatment, Jim, and we'll look forward to your return to the PB.

A public hearing on the Grover application for a junk yard on Rowe Hill Road has been set for June 5, 5 p.m., at the Greenwood Town Office.

If you have not paid your property taxes yet (those ones that were due April 1), interest begins to accrue on May 1. Town Manager Kim Sparks said we are about "on track" for payment of property taxes this spring.

And, remember that tree growth classification requirement that a current forest management plan be on file or face a stiff State penalty? Sparks said there has been much positive response to this, and a number of foresters are busy with the work. Property owners were given 120 days to file current management plans. These must be filed by August.

Erin's Cafe is open for breakfast, lunch, and coffee on Main Street, Bethel. Once again, I have been proved wrong. Probably won't be the last time. Last week I wrote that the fish were not bit-

ing yet. That same afternoon a fellow caught a large brook trout at Round Pond. It was over a foot long and looked to weigh over 1.5 pounds. Someone had some fine eating that night.

Several ring-necked ducks are here. They look rather like large mallards except they dive, and the males have striking white markings on their beaks.

A pair of peregrine falcons showed up last week and have been calling frequently. This is the first time I have seen them around here. Amy Chapman reports that she and Tony saw what they think were peregrines at Buck's Ledge on North Pond.

Canada mayflowers are up, the trees are opening little mouse-ear sized leaves, and that beautiful light green is back. As Robert Frost wrote, "Spring's first green is gold."

When you think about it, it is quite amazing that we go from a world of white to a world of green and back again every year. The contrast is so great, you might think we lived on two different planets. And, we simply take it all in stride. This Saturday, April 29, is clean-up day at the Bryant Pond 4H Camp and Learning Center. They need help with general outside clean-up. Show up at 8 a.m. to help, and they'll feed you a hearty lunch at 12:30. For info, call Ron Fournier at 665-2068.

Upton

By JOE BERNIER



I have a booklet that was published for the Union Water Power Company. I can-

not find the date of publication. In the booklet, it states that the earliest ice out recorded for Umbagog Lake was April 14 in 1945 (the latest was May 20th, in 1972). I think the ice was out by April 13 this year. Was a new record made? If someone out there knows, please let me know.

The Upton Historical Society held their annual election meeting. All of the officers were re-elected to

their respective positions. All elected officer terms are for two years. Bob Thompson and Bob Pepler were voted in for Board of Directors. The terms for board members are three years. Deborah Judkins was reappointed as Curator and Bob Folsom was reappointed as the Registered Agent. The society has 14 people signed up to help with clean-up at Forest Lodge on May 5. Anyone interested in joining the clean-up crew should contact Charlotte at 533-2061. The crew will meet at the Upton house in time to leave there by 9 a.m. and travel as a group to Carry Road.

Sunday breakfast, at the Ladies Aid, was as always, very good. The ladies are planning a spring clean-up of their building for sometime in early May. They want the building and grounds to look their best for their "Annual Tea" at 11 a.m. on May 19. This is sign-up time for members, new and old. Dues are only \$5. I have heard a rumor that men may join, if they pay \$25, but they are not allowed to vote. Call Carol at 533-2028, if you would like confirmation of this rumor.

The minutes from last April's snowmobile club meeting indicate that there is a meeting scheduled for Sunday, May 6, 9 a.m. in the Upton House.

The Planning Board will meet Friday, April 27, in the town office. The workshop portion of the meeting will begin at 6, and starting at 7, the board will review building applications.

Saturday, April 28, 9 a.m. there will be a meeting in the Upton school building. This meeting is for all people who are interested in being a part of, and helping with, forming an A.T.V. club in Upton. People will be needed for a variety of activities; contacting and working with land owners, locating and building trails, fundraising, club officers, organizing and scheduling events are some of them.

Saturday night, Neil and Krys, Eric and Jennie, Bobby and Deb, and Penny and I all went to the Harrison V.F.W. to listen and dance to music by The Rockin' Road Runners.

The old-time rock and roll was great and we all had a fun time.

Please call 533-2010 or e-mail backstjoe@gmail.com to give me your news.

Mason

By RICHARD GROVER



More Wild Weasel Sam and I finally arrived at Takli RTAFB, Thailand

during the last week of April, 1967. We found ourselves on a large Air Force Base surrounded by huge jungle trees, a few scattered huts and all manner of tropical foliage. It was hot, humid and buzzing with insects. We were chauffeured around the base in a blue Air Force van with our flight gear and meager stash of civilian clothing. Most of the buildings were wooden "hooches" set on posts about three feet above ground. There were a few two-bedroom trailer homes and, near one end of the runway, several one-story brick "dormitories." The flight line was lined with hangars and other industrial buildings housing maintenance facilities and other support activities.

We checked in at the 354th Tactical Fighter Squadron and stowed our flight gear in the personal equipment room, where we were also issued parachutes, survival vests and our .38 caliber Smith & Wesson pistols. Then we were given a choice of quarters, either in one of the windowless hooches near the Officers' Club or a brick dormitory, which consisted of four bedrooms around a central dayroom. Sam opted for a dormitory room, and I decided on a hooch.

During our long flights across the Pacific expanses, we had gotten quite well acquainted. While we got along well, I found it difficult to make small talk with Sam. He was dedicated to his Mormon religion and was a person whose views were a stark black and white, with no room for greys. I learned this the first time I tried to relate author James Michener's descriptions of the geology and beginnings of

civilization in the Middle East area in his book, "The Source," which I found engaging. For Sam, there was no flexibility in his interpretation of the Bible's description of the earth being created in six days, vs. the geological evidence of millions of years of evolution. I respected his views but found it left me with few common opinions.

The center of our off duty social life was the Officers' Club, or "The Club." The Club served as our chow hall as well as social club because there was no other place for officers to eat on base. Meals were served 24 hours daily because aircrews were tasked to fly at any hour, day or night. From 6 a.m. to 10 p.m., we were served by young Thai women (poo yings) who were a delight to make light small talk with. The 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. shift was served by young men (poo chais). The stag bar at the club was also open 24 hours to serve those who returned from missions at any hour, as well.

My hooch was just behind the shower and restrooms building which was just outside the door to the stag bar. The building was about 24 by 40 feet. You stepped up about five steps to the door at either end. Inside, it was midnight black day or night, except for any electric light that might be on. There were window-style air conditioners mounted in the long side walls every 10 or 12 feet, where the Thais apparently had screened ventilation openings before Americans had taken them over. There were no interior walls, but each of the 12 or 14 men housed there were issued two green steel government-issued wall lockers, a bunk and small nightstand with an electric light. Wall lockers were arranged together so as to make a partly enclosed cubicle for each fellow.

These rather primitive quarters were quite comfortable and quiet most of the time because guys tended to be on different schedules. The darkness made it easy to sleep at any time and cut down on the rabble rousing. We were cautioned to be sure to check the steps for co-

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bras whenever it rained because the snakes liked to coil up on the steps to be out of the water!

We were given three or four days of orientation briefings to get acquainted with the "rules of engagement" for the Southeast Asia area. There were lots of prohibitions for different countries. We were not allowed to bomb in South Vietnam unless we were under control of a forward air controller because we were not up to date on the ground situation there. While we over-flew parts of Laos on every mission, there were only a few places where we could drop bombs. There were also numerous restrictions on what could be bombed in North Vietnam. Unbelievably, we were not supposed to even bomb North Vietnamese airfields during our first couple of months there.

Before we had flown our first combat mission we learned that Leo Thorsness and Harold Johnson, a wild weasel crew on their 94th mission had been shot down by a MIG-21 aircraft on April 19, a few days before we got there. That was in addition to another weasel crew shot down in March. Another weasel crew returned to Takhli missing the top three feet of their tail after being hit by a SAM while we were being "oriented." This was out of a complement of six wild weasel crews at Takhli. It looked to me like 100 missions was a pretty shaky proposition at that point!

Greenwood City
By MINDY SWEETSER



What a rush life is, for every second that passes by adds up to our last. My motto is I'd rather die from the thrill of exhaustion than die from the failure of boredom.

The kids have received their Third Quarter re-

port card, which only indicates that my baby brother has not much more time left then he will be graduating! How time flies! I couldn't be more proud of him!

My husband and I are always pushing our speed buttons to the max. Just when we achieve one thing we push on to conquer 10 more projects all to better our children's lives as well as our own. Right now we have been remodeling our house to accommodate the boys' living quarters and remodeling the milking room on top of trying to keep up with extracurricular activities. Let's say it's not hard to fall asleep at the end of the day, it's just hard to stay asleep due to the new day arrives much too quickly. I have only one ring tone in my brain and that's the sound of the clock ticking. Life goes by so quickly for in an instant so much can change.

Let's take a glance of what's been going on in my life this past week. We had my youngest son's birthday; as you all know last Thursday; he turned the ripe old age of five. We had a great family gathering. David did a wonderful job grilling on our brand new grill and Kai-dan received many nice gifts, his favorite being his apple iPod which he plays all the time. He's my only child out of five that would rather stay inside and play games. As for the other four they would rather be outside in any weather getting dirty doing something mischievous.

We endured some great spring-like weather to finish the latter part of the April vacation, which was a treat! Friday night my sister, David and I went to the movies and watched the "Lucky One," which if you're debating whether to watch it or not I would say go ahead! It is a wonderful movie and well worth the time and money!

Sunday, David and I collected the returnable bot-

ties for the Woodstock school, which we appreciate all of you who donate your bottles to the transfer station in Greenwood; the money goes to a good cause.

The twins and my father and brother attended another Veterans' meeting Thursday night and enjoyed themselves. They received their hats, which was a great honor!

As for this next week I get even busier, Junior Day for turkey hunting opens up Saturday. I'm so excited we have three boys to guide this year, for the twins will be hunting for the first time with their new shotguns. It should be a "blast"! The challenge is on I'm guiding my partner in crime, my oldest son. David has Shy-ene and my father is taking Silvan. And of course Gammy is watching the two little ones! Let's see who bags the biggest tom happy gobbling!

I encourage you hunters to take a kid out hunting on Youth Day. Turkey hunting is such a thrill to be able to talk to the species you are hunting, draw them into your decoy as if you were one of them, and harvest one of Nature's most delicious birds is a good thing. And a memory that will last a lifetime.

The Woodstock school is holding their Annual Spring Talent Show Thursday, April 26, at 6 p.m. It is open to the public and cost will be \$2 per person or \$5 per family. I encourage you to attend; the money goes to the Fifth Grade trip to Boston. My children will be in the acts, as they were last year as well.

T-ball has now started and so has baseball for my daughter Emma-Leigha. Yup, baseball not softball, she's a tough cookie and gonna play with the boys! After all she has four older brother she rumbles with!

My thought for the week is: Live each moment in your time to its fullest, as if it shall be your last, for the best moments in your life will be remem-

bered in time, even after your seconds on your life's clock runs out.

Bryant Pond
By ALICE HOYT



The Woodstock Historical Society met at the Museum on Saturday, April 14, for their meeting starting with a 6 p.m. potluck supper. The program and research report were combined. A very interesting program was given on what people remembered it was like in Bryant Pond during World War II. Joyce Howe and Olive Risko had interviewed several people to see what they could remember, that, combined with items Joyce found on the Internet made for an interesting evening. Next meeting is May 12 at the Museum with a potluck supper at p.m.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Barbara Rozelle.

Franklin Grange 124 met Monday evening for a regular meeting. Reported inspection and installation is May 21. The Mock Hee Haw Show is Saturday, May 19. CWA night is June 18. Reported on work on the bathroom. Program: Opening thought, It Could be Worse; Song, "April Showers"; Reading, Sharon Silver "Plant A Garden"; Game; Reading, "Spring Is"; Closing thought, "Take the Time"; Song, "Good Night Grangers." Next meeting is May 7.

The May Program at Whitman Memorial Library is May 10 at 2 p.m. Game Warden Norman Lewis will be guest speaker. The public is invited, no charge, light refreshment.

Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday school at 9:15, Morning worship service at 10:30, Evening Service 6 p.m. Sunday, April 29 there will be a special Service at 4 p.m. instead of the 6 p.m. one. Come see the youth in action. Prayer meeting is

Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

The Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens will meet Thursday, May 3, at the Locke Mills Church. Dinner will be put on by the Ladies Circle.

So. Woodstock
By LOLALEE DILLINGHAM



A great sunny spring morning this a.m. 47 degrees with blue skies

and an occasional puffy, white cloud passes by.

The weatherman is saying we are in for a few days of rain, and that should help immensely with cutting down on forest fires and bring much needed rain for the gardens and wells and to help green up the lawns and pastures.

Condolences are going out to the families of Chris H. Stevenson, Madelyn R. Purington, Elaine Curtis, Yvonne DeShon Whittemore, Elizabeth (Betty) Prince and John C. Ladd. Love and prayers to each family member on the recent loss of their loved one.

Our Sundays have been busy with country shows the past several weeks and another country show this week in Naples.

We finally got the ceiling fan up in the summer room and had the chance to use it this past week when the temperature was in the high seventies, low eighties. Thanks, Matt greatly appreciated.

We spent some time with our son Craig and his fiancée, April, last Saturday afternoon. RACING, ya know, these guys just cannot get enough of it.

We always enjoy our time spent with the kids and grandkids.

Last Saturday Nick and Craig came to pick up the large cabinet I had and no longer needed; it sure looks nice in their living room. Glad they were able to use it.

I am so looking forward to getting my seeds planted! I picked up a box of hummingbird mixture and butterfly mixture and am anxious to see how well these flowers attract them.

I put out an orange so the orioles will stop by, and also hung my hummingbird feeder out, hoping this warmer weather will bring them early this year. The motorcyclists are truly enjoying these great days and warm evenings. And I so enjoy listening to the peepers every night. I am hoping that my bleed-

ing hearts will blossom this year; they were so beautiful last summer.

Well, dear readers, that's all from the valley this week and it's time for me to get this into the office, as I want to get some outdoor time in today.

Please stay well, have fun and enjoy every day to the fullest.

Quote of the week, "It is never too late to admit you were wrong and to fess up to the truth."

Mahoosuc Arts Council news

The executive director of the Mahoosuc Arts Council, Aranka Matolcsy, was invited this month by the New England Foundation for the Arts (NEFA) to sit on a national review panel charged with allocating funding for the 2012 Expeditions program. This grant program supports multi-venue performances tours throughout New England, including a variety of Maine venues noted below.

Matolcsy served on the NEFA panel in Boston with Pam Green of the City of Durham, North Carolina, Cultural Advisory Board; Nicky Paraiso, Director of Programming, The Club at La MaMa, New York City; Craig T. Peterson, Director of the Philly Fringe Festival and Live Arts Brewery (LAB) program, Philadelphia; and Jacob Yarrow, Programming Director for the University of Iowa's multidisciplinary arts presenter Hancher, Iowa City.

"I am honored to have been chosen to serve in the company of such noted professionals. My invitation is evidence of the Mahoosuc Arts Council's exemplary and sustainable management format, outstanding educational and community programming, and legitimate board oversight," said Matolcsy. "This experience was highly educational for me and will ultimately benefit the council."

Other tours that were funded include: Brooklyn Rider, Chick Corea and Gary Burton with the Harlem String Quartet, Anna Myer and Dancers and Kidd Pivot. Proposal for tours with the following groups were not funded: The Joffrey Ballet, Adele Myers and Dancers, Kronos Quartet, Ethel and

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WHEREAS, on November 1, 2011, a Judgement of Foreclosure and Order of Sale was entered by the District Court, District Eleven, Division of Northern Oxford, in an action entitled *Jordan Grand Condominium Owners Association v. Nelson Henry*, under Docket No. RUM-RE-11-35, for the foreclosure of condominium association fees due from the said Nelson Henry to the Jordan Grand Condominium Owners Association said Judgement being duly recorded in the Oxford County Registry of Deeds and;

WHEREAS, the statutory ninety (90) day redemption period has elapsed without redemption by the said Defendant, his successors or assigns;

NOW, THEREFORE, by order of and in execution of said Judgement of Foreclosure and Order of Sale, notice is hereby given that there will be sold at public sale at **10:00 a.m. on Friday, June 8, 2012, at the office of John S. Jenness, Jr., Esq., at 23 Market Square, South Paris, Maine**, all and singular the premises described in said Judgement, to wit:

Certain real estate located in the Town of Newry, County of Oxford and State of Maine, more particularly described as follows:

Use Period II in Unit 324/326 (the "Quarter Share Estate") at the Jordan Grand at Sunday River, A Condominium, a condominium established in accordance with the Maine Condominium Act, Chapter 31 of Title 33 of the Revised Statutes of Maine, 1964, as amended, and in accordance with the Maine statute regarding Time Share, Chapter 10-A of Title 33 of the Revised Statutes of Maine, 1964, as amended, together with said Quarter Share Estate's percentage interest and all other appurtenant rights in Common Elements and Limited Common Elements, all as more particularly described in the Declaration of Condominium, The Jordan Grand at Sunday River, A Condominium, Newry, Maine, dated December 17, 1997, and recorded in the Oxford County Registry of Deeds in Book 2507, Page 117 (the "Declaration"), and as delineated on the Plats and Plans of the Jordan Grand at Sunday River, A Condominium, recorded in said Registry of Deeds, Plan numbers 3085 through 3092.

Said Quarter Share Estate and appurtenances are conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all of the terms, provisions, conditions, restrictions, easements, covenants, obligations, reservations and encumbrances contained or referred to in said Declaration and said Plats and Plans, all of which are incorporated herein, as the same may be amended or modified from time to time.

Being precisely the same premises conveyed to Nelson Henry by Warranty Deed of the William F. McNeilly Trust dated November 19, 2004, which is recorded in the Oxford County Registry of Deeds in Book 3628, Page 292, and entitled and subject to all benefits and restrictions as described therein.

TERMS OF SALE: Pursuant to Title 14 M.R.S.A. §6323, the public sale shall be held not less than thirty (30) days nor more than forty-five (45) days after the first date of publication of this Notice. The Association shall sell the premises to the highest bidder at the public sale and deliver a deed of such sale to the purchaser, which deed shall convey the premises free and clear of all interest of the parties-in-interest joined in the action. The Association or any other party-in-interest may bid at the public sale. All bids are to be supported by 10% deposit, except for banks. All deposits are to be made either in cash or by certified check at the time of bidding. Closing on the sale shall occur within thirty (30) days of the date of the sale. All other terms are to be announced at the sale or may be obtained by contacting the Association at its place of business in Newry, Maine, or the undersigned attorney for the Association.

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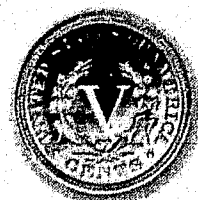
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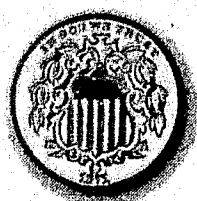
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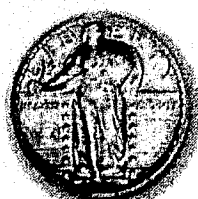
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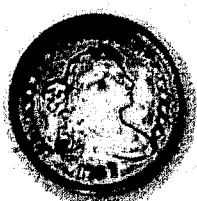
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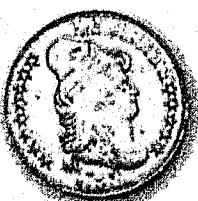
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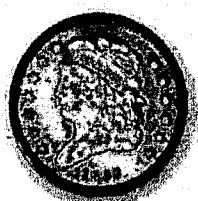
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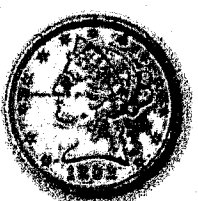
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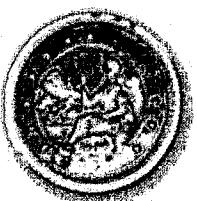
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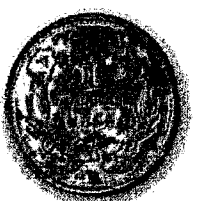
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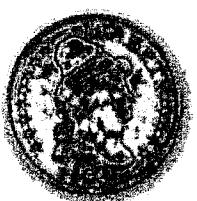
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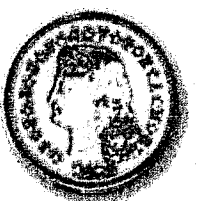
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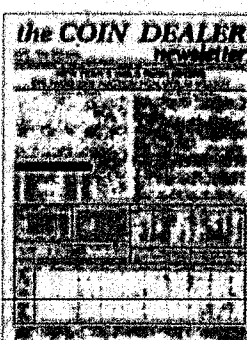
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by Helene Hovanec

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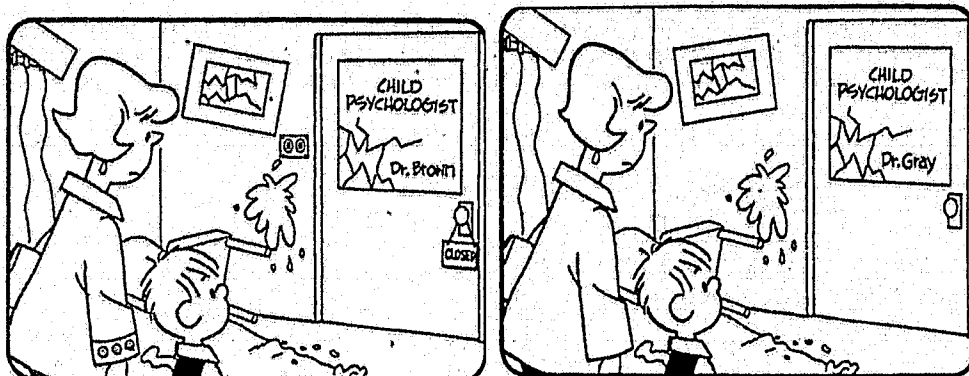
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

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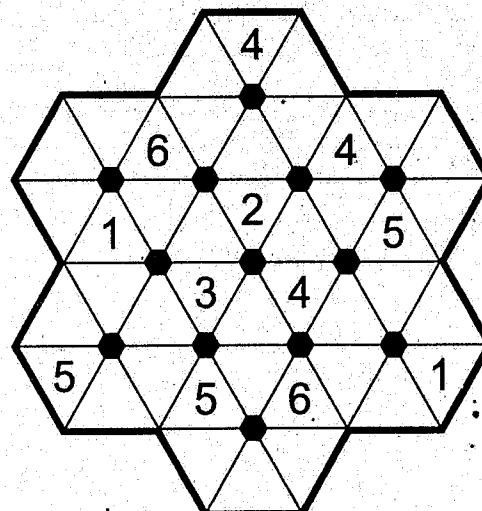
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SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

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No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.

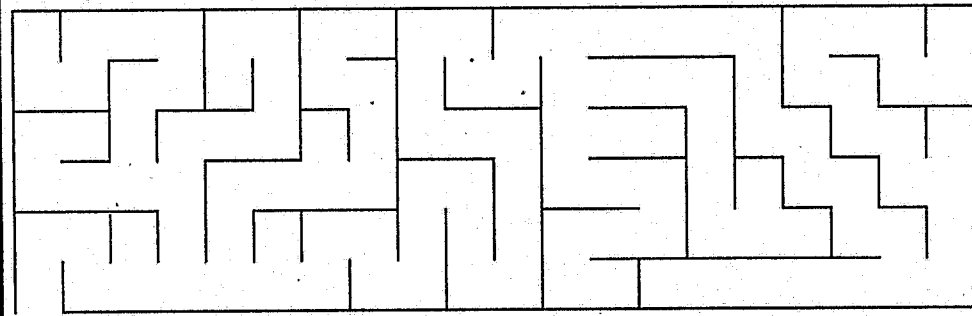


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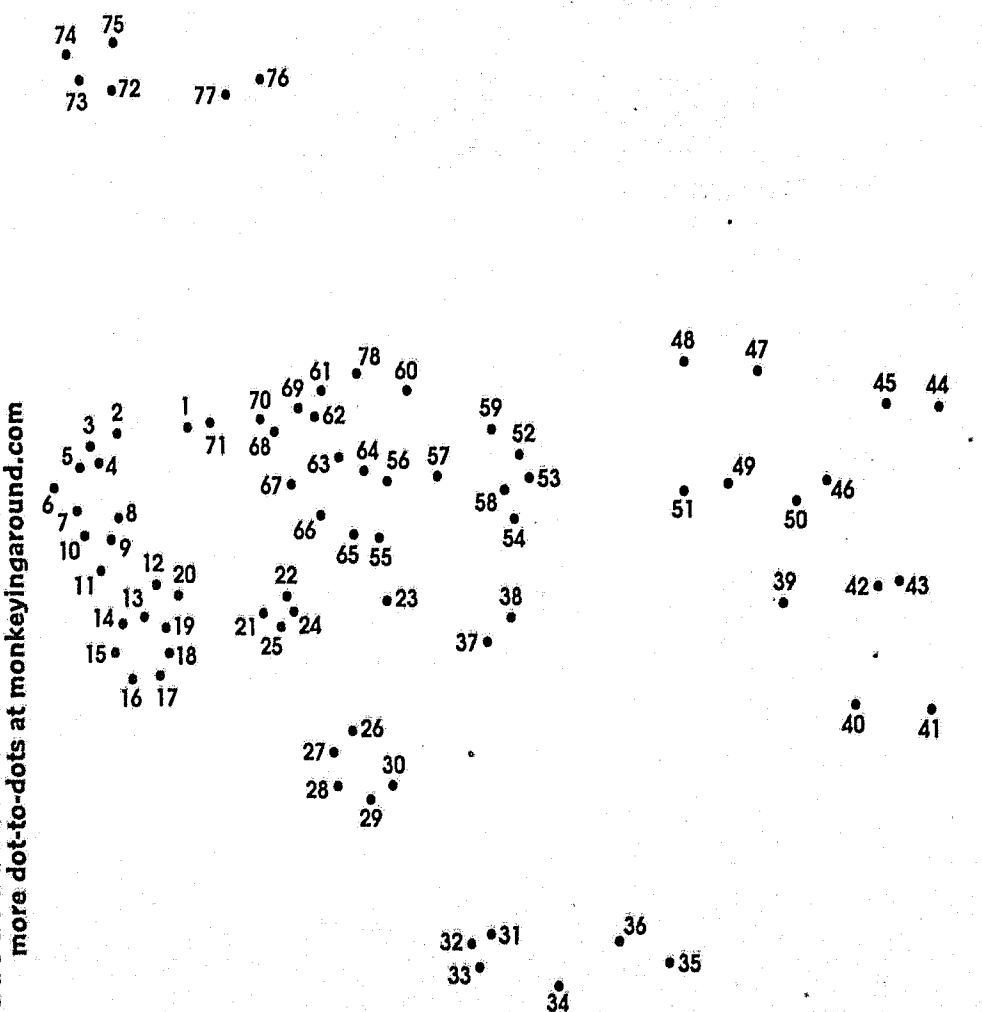
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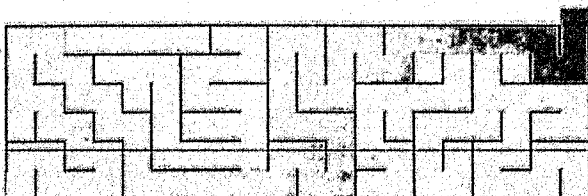
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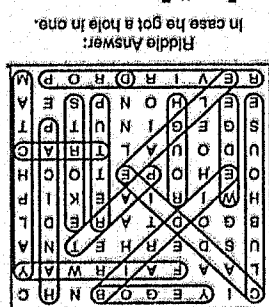


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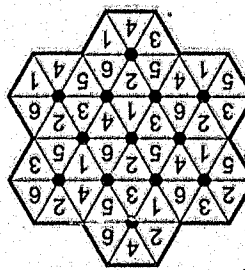
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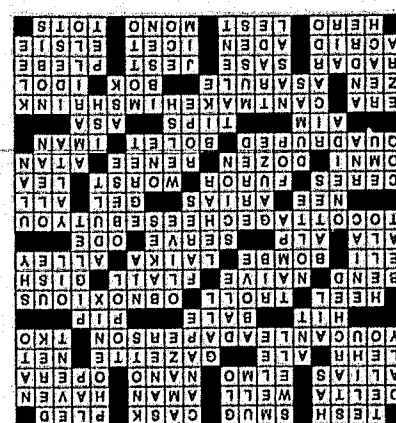
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Community Calendar

Thru May 31

4:30 p.m. - **Walking for the Health of It**, sponsored by MaineHealth Learning Resource Center, Stephens Memorial Hospital. Meet at Riverside Trail at Oxford Hills Middle School (100 Pine Street), South Paris. Free. Pre-registration required. FMI/register: (866) 609-5183.

Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, thru June 30
"My Picture Book," exhibit by local artist Sheridan "Mac" McLaughlin at West Paris Public Library. Sheridan will give a talk on April 19, 6:30 p.m. at the library. Displayed artwork spans 43 years. Library open 1 to 6 p.m. Monday-Friday, 1 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. FMI: 674-2004.

Tuesdays May 15, June 5, July 17, Aug. 7, Sept. 11
2 to 4 p.m. - **McLaughlin Garden Power Propagators** on scheduled Tuesdays. Volunteers meet in back corner of barn.

Friday, April 27

11 a.m. - **Oxford County Educators Association-Retired** meeting Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School. Dinner served 12 noon; program follows at 1 p.m., which will focus on life of Henry Wadsworth Longfellow. You are invited to join if a retired teacher who lives in Oxford County or person employed in some other capacity by a school.

Open Mic Night at First Universalist Church, 479 Main Street, Norway. \$3 donation at door. Refreshments. FMI: 743-2828.

Friday, Saturday, Sunday, April 27, 28, 29

7 p.m. - **Tracking Workshop** at Mahoosuc Mountain Lodge with Susan Morse of Keeping Track. Slide presentations Friday and Saturday, \$10 per evening. All day "in field" workshop Saturday and Sunday a.m. \$175-\$275. FMI/register: 824-2073 or e-mail info@mahoosuc.com.

Fridays, April 27, May 4, 18, 25 and June 1, 8

1 to 2:30 p.m. - **Active Parenting**, six-week parenting group at Region 9 School of applied Technology, 377 River Road, Mexico. For parents of children 5 through 12. Cost: \$15. Scholarships and fee waivers available for qualifying families. FMI/Register: Tammy Beaulieu 739-6547 or Hallie Twomey 333-6425. Note: no childcare available.

Saturday, April 28

9 a.m. - Meeting to form **ATV club in Upton**. Anyone interested in being involved should attend. It is expected Mike Worthley, ATV Maine, Western Region VP., will attend to answer questions. FMI: Bob Pepler 533-2061.

8 a.m. to 3 p.m. **Bethel Squadron of Civil Air Patrol**, weather permitting, will conduct a Search and Rescue Exercise (SAREX) at the Bethel Regional Airport. There will be Civil Air Patrol aircraft plus approximately 30 personnel. FMI: call Captain Gary Brearley, Bethel/Rumford squadron commander (836-2534).

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. - **Free Medicine Disposal Day**. Bethel area, Sheriff's Office, 2 Parkway, Bethel, Rumford Police Department, Sheriff's Office, 26 Western Avenue, South Paris. Call your town office for more info.

5 and 6 p.m. - **74th Annual Birthday Supper** Andover Congregational Church, Andover. Turkey and all the fixin's, birthday cake for dessert. Cost: \$8 adults/\$4 under 12. FMI: Sharon Hutchins 392-4351.

5 to 6:30 p.m. - **Turkey Supper**, V.F.W., Lower Main Street, South Paris. Adults \$7/12 and under \$3.

5 to 8 p.m. - **Benefit Spaghetti Supper** for Silas Brown, a child with Cerebral Palsy to have specialized adaptive equipment and specialized therapy, will be held at Bethel Methodist Church, Main Street, Bethel. Cost: donations appreciated. Chinese Auction table.

7 to 10 p.m. - **Jones Band** at South Paris Legion Hall, Church Street. Cost: \$5.

7:30 p.m. - **Gretchen Parlato**, Jazz Artist performs at Leura Hill Eastman Performing Arts Center, 18 Bradley

Street, Campus of Fryeburg Academy. Free parking. Tickets: \$20 adults, \$20 seniors 65+, \$15 students may be purchased online at www.fryeburgacademy.org/pac or by calling Box Office 935-9232.

Sunday, April 29

8 a.m. - **Camp Clean-Up Day** at Bryant Pond 4H Camp and Learning Center. Bring friends, family, or students. Hearty lunch 12:30 p.m. provided by camp kitchen. Raking, brush removal, painting, gardening, firewood, moving canoes and kayaks, and other fun projects. Bring special equipment or garden tools if possible. FMI: Ron Fournier 665-2068 or e-mail ronalfournier@maine.edu.

10 a.m. - **Mahoosuc Land Trust Outing** to Round Mountain, Albany, Larry Stifler and Mary McFadden property. Easy two-hour hike. Appropriate gear, water and snacks. Meet parking lot for Round Mountain 6.9 miles on Vernon Street (from Main Street, Bethel), bear left at stop sign, travel 1.2 miles on Hunt's Corner Road to turn-out and field on left. FMI: or if inclement weather 824-3806, e-mail info@mahoosuc.org or check www.mahoosuc.org for rescheduling.

Monday, April 30

1 to 2:30 p.m. - **Shoestring Forum**: Healthy Food on a Budget April 2; Clothing - Thrifting is the New Cool April 9; Get a Hold on Household Expenses April 16; Transportation and Entertainment April 23; Community Resources Connections April 30 at Adult Learning Center, Telstar High School. Cost: \$5 each or five for \$20. Instructor: Kay Larson. Sponsored by SAD 44 Adult and Continuing Education. FMI/register: 824-2780.

Wednesday, May 2

9 to 11 a.m. - **SeniorsPlus** open house at Greenwood Town Office to introduce new outreach project for seniors and adults with disabilities in Oxford County. Refreshments. FMI: 795-4010 or (800) 427-1241 or visit www.seniorsplus.org.

6:30 p.m. - **Budget Vote** for Region 9 School of Applied Technology at the school in Mexico.

Wednesdays, May 2 and 9

10 to 11:30 a.m. - **Active Parenting**, six-week parenting group at Norway Savings Bank, 1 Park Street, Bethel. For parents of children 5 through 12. Cost: \$15. Scholarships and fee waivers available for qualifying families. FMI/Register: Tammy Beaulieu 739-6547 or Hallie Twomey 333-6425. Note: no childcare available.

Thursday, May 3

12 Noon to 3 p.m. - **Kindergarten Registration**, Agnes Gray School, West Paris. If child will be 5 before Oct. 15 and plans to attend, call 674-2332. Bring copy of child's birth certificate, immunization record and recent physical examination.

Thursday, May 3 thru Sunday, May 6

8 p.m. - **"Jame's Women"** performed by Oxford Hills Music and Performing Arts Association at Norway Grange, Whitman Street, Norway. Tickets on sale: Books-N-Things, Main Street, Norway. Tickets half price opening night.

Friday, May 4

Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce Annual Awards Dinner/Auction at Grand Summit Hotel, Sunday River Resort. 6 p.m. social/silent auction; 7 p.m. dinner; 8 p.m. presentations and awards. Cost: \$49 pp. RSVP/prepayment by Monday, April 30 (check/credit card accepted), 824-2282.

Saturday, May 5

8 a.m. (registration) - **Lyme Disease Awareness Conference**, Mountain Valley Middle School, Highland Terrace, Mexico. FMI: 357-1926 or e-mail dianefarnum@yahoo.com

9 a.m. to Noon - **Annual Free Seed Day** at Rumford Center Grange Hall. Seeds donated by seed sales

companies to promote agricultural awareness.

Sunday, May 6

Noon to 1:30 p.m. - **Baked Ham Dinner** at Rumford Center Grange Hall. Meal includes baked ham, potato, salad, pickles, rolls, and homemade pies. Cost: \$8 adults/under 12 \$3.50.

12 to 4 p.m. - **Benefit for Marilyn Hamel**, former Special Ed Tech at Crescent Park School recently diagnosed with stage 4 colon cancer, will be held at Funky Red Barn, Bethel. \$8 at door. FMI: Nicole Hamel 274-9676 or Linda Smith 824-2764.

4 p.m. - **Mahoosuc Community Band Spring Concert** at West Parish Congregational Church, Church Street, Bethel. Donations accepted at door. Refreshments following concert.

Monday, May 7

Noon to 5 p.m. - **Blood Drive** at Telstar gymnasium sponsored by Telstar National Honor Society.

5 to 7 p.m. - **North Country Writers' Night Out Group**, Northern Forest Heritage Park Cookhouse, Main Street, Berlin, N.H. FMI: Dick Conway (603) 449-2558 or Sue Solar (603) 449-2210.

6:30 to 8:30 p.m. - **Socrates Cafe**, Waterford Library. Topic for May meeting forum: "Incarnation Nation: Justice in the Land of the Free and the Home of the Brave." FMI: 583-6957 or email wla@waterford.lib.me.us

Tuesday, May 8

5 to 9:30 p.m. - **Supper/Dance** Locke Mills Legion Hall, Gore Road. Doors open 4 p.m. Supper by Legion Auxiliary (meat loaf, baked beans, macaroni and cheese, coleslaw, bread, pies). Adults Supper \$7/Dance \$5/ child \$3.

Wednesday, May 9

11 a.m. - **Bethel Senior Citizens Club dinner/meeting** at West Bethel Grange Hall. Due to unforeseen circumstances dinner will be potluck. Please bring a dish to share.

Maine Educators Association-Retired annual convention at Augusta Civic Center.

2 to 4 p.m. - **SeniorsPlus Open House** at Norway Town Hall to introduce a new outreach project for seniors and adults with disabilities in Oxford County. Refreshments. FMI: 795-4010 or (800) 427-1241 or visit www.seniorsplus.org

Thursday, May 10

2 p.m. - **Whitman Memorial Library**, Bryant Pond, guest speaker will be Norman E. Lewis, Maine State Game Warden. Mr. Lewis is a resident of Woodstock. The program is open to the public at no charge and light refreshments will be served.

Thursday thru Sunday, May 10, 11, 12, 13

8 p.m. - **"Jame's Women"** performed by Oxford Hills Music and Performing Arts Association at Norway Grange, Whitman Street, Norway. Tickets on sale: Books-N-Things, Main Street, Norway.

Friday, May 11

6 p.m. - **Alder River Grange** potluck supper/meeting (7 p.m.).

Friday and Saturday, May 11 and 12

Preparing for Birth Class, Harper Conference Room, Ripley Medical Office Building (193 Main Street, Norway). Pre-registration required (\$35). FMI/register: 743-1562 Ext. 6951 and send in your payment. FMI: visit www.wmhcc.org

5:30 p.m. - **"The Butler Did It"** presentation by Bethel Community Players at The Bethel Inn Resort. A "Welcome to Ravenswood Manor" social, and the first act at 6:20 p.m. Dinner served after first act. Seating limited. Tickets: \$29 each on sale at Bethel Inn Resort, Timberlake's Home Store Route 2, Ruthie's Boutique, Main Street. FMI: Ross Timberlake (824-6545 or e-mail ross@sttimberlake.com).

REGULAR MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Municipal

Bethel Selectmen: Second and fourth Mondays of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

Bethel Planning Board: Second and fourth Wednesdays of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

Bethel Water District: Third Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

Gilead Selectmen: Second Wednesdays of the month, 6 p.m., Town Office

Gilead Planning Board: First Thursdays of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

Greenwood Selectmen: First and third Tuesdays of the month, 5 p.m., Town Office.

Hanover Selectmen: Third Tuesday of the month, 6 p.m. unless otherwise posted.

Hanover Planning Board: First Wednesday, 6 p.m.

Newry Selectmen: First and third Mondays of the month, 5:30 p.m., Town Office.

Newry Planning Board: First and third Wednesdays of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

Woodstock Selectmen: First and third Tuesdays, 5 p.m., Town Office.

Woodstock Planning Board: First and third Tuesdays, 7 p.m., Town Office

SAD 44 School Board: Second and fourth Mondays of the month, 7 p.m., Telstar High School (occasionally meet at other schools; call 824-2185 for info).

Organizations

Bethel

First Sunday of month, 7 p.m.—Bethel Snow Twisters at 208 Walkers Mills Rd.

Third Sunday of each month, 9 a.m. - Breakfast open to the public at no charge at Bethel Church of the Nazarene.

Tuesdays, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.—Meditation and more with Mountain Heart Sangha, mindfulness community practicing awareness, understanding, acceptance, harmony and love in tradition of Zen Buddhist Teacher Thich Nhat Hanh at Café DiCocoa. FMI: Cynthia Handlen 671-1532 or Cynthia.handlen@gmail.com. All welcome.

Wednesdays, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.—TOPS at Bethel Alliance Church (weigh-in 5:30-6).

Thursdays, 10 to 11 a.m.—Story Time for Children at Bethel Library (story plus craft) with participating mothers. October

thru April. FMI: call 824-2520.

Second Thursday of the month, 10 a.m. to noon; fourth Thursday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.—Cross Country Quilters of Pine Tree Quilt Guild of Maine meet at Moses Mason House Barn, corner of Broad and Mason streets, Bethel. All quilters welcome. FMI: e-mail Pat McCartney at p_quilts@yahoo.com or call Kathy Thrall at 824-3111.

Saturdays, 11:30 a.m. - Guided One-Hour Walking Tour of Historic Bethel Hill. Meet at bell tower on north end of common. Free but donations accepted. FMI: 824-2908.

Woodstock

Second Saturday of month, 6 p.m.—Woodstock Historical Society meeting at the Museum.

Norway/Paris

Mondays, 6:30 p.m.—Hillsmen Barbershop Chorus rehearses at Catholic Church, Norway, New singers welcome. FMI: call Dr. Tere Porter 743-0656 evenings or Pat Fleck at 647-5005

Wednesdays, 7 to 9 p.m. The Yet To be Named Banjo Club practices in the Commons Room of the Fare Share Market, 477 Main Street, Norway. Interested banjoists invited to join. Public welcome. FMI: call Alan Hamilton at 875-2680.

Fridays 9:15 a.m.—Oxford Hills Duplicate Bridge, Norway. For more information, call Les Buzzell at 783-4153 or 754-9153; or e-mail: buzz116@myfairpoint.net

SUPPORT SERVICES

from the Commons) Thursdays, 10 to 11 a.m. All welcome. FMI call 739-9115.

CANCER WELLNESS

Support and Education for cancer patients, survivors and caregivers. Every Thursday, 1:30-3 p.m. Rumford Hospital, Room 357. (877) 836-7287. Call to confirm during stormy weather.

EXCHANGES/PANTRIES

Clothing Exchange, Bethel Park, 23 Mason Street, Bethel. Hours: Monday 1 to 4, Thursday 4 to 6, Saturday, 10 to 12 a.m. Donations of gently-used clothing only accepted during open hours. No exceptions. 824-4090.

Food Pantry, Nazarene Church, Park Street, Bethel. By appointment only (824-0369).

HELP FOR THE HOMELESS

Rumford Group Homes, Inc. operates three homeless shelters, a transitional living program for youth 18-21, homeless youth outreach and case management services for adults and children. Emergency shelter includes the South Paris Men's Shelter, the Norway Family Center for women and children in crisis, and our Rumford Family Center in Rumford for families. To make a referral or request help in the South Paris area, call 743-6363 or call 869-9439 for help in the Rumford area M-F 9 a.m.-5 p.m. For more information on Rumford Group Homes, Inc. call 364-3551 or visit www.rumfordgrouphomes.org.

MENTAL ILLNESS

Beacon House Social Club, 150 Congress Street, Rumford, a drop-in social club for adults suffering with mental, emotional, or physical illness, provides support, relaxation, and socialization. Monday 1 to 5 p.m.; Tuesday 9 a.m.-2 p.m.; Wednesday 9 a.m.-8 p.m.; Wednesday 3-8 p.m.; Friday 2-7 p.m.; Saturday 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Oxford County Mental Health Services, support for adults and children with mental illness, same location, second floor, open Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-4 p.m. For more information, call 364-3549 or (800) 835-9999, or in off-hours 928-3222.

VETERANS' SERVICES

Maine Veterans Home, S. Paris, Veterans' Advocate visits first and third Wednesday each month, 9-12 noon (743-6300); Rumford 9-12 noon second Thursday at VA Clinic at 431 Franklin St. (369-3272). Maine Veterans' Services is located at 29 Westminster St., Lewiston (783-5306). (No visits in July)

MULTIPLE SERVICES

Community Concepts provides Oxford County Head Start, childcare, free rides to Maine Care appointments, subsidized apartments (Bethel, Brownfield, Fryeburg, Norway, Rumford, South Paris), affordable home-ownership opportunities, homeless shelter and assistance with home heating or weatherizing. FMI: call (800) 866-5588 or visit www.community-concepts.org.

ABUSED WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT

AWAP serves all of Oxford County and provides emergency shelter, court advocacy and support groups with child care. Rumford office 369-0750; Norway office 743-5086; 24 hour hotline 1-800-559-2927

REACH

Rape Education and Crisis Hotline 1-800-871-7741. Sexual assault/sexual abuse hotline, same number. Support groups and awareness education, past or present victims of abuse.

AA MEETINGS/ADDICTION HELP

Bethel Freedom Group. Open Discussion Meeting, Saturdays at 4:30 in the Snow Cap Inn conference room, next to the fitness room. Sunday River. Seasonal, Thanksgiving through April 1. Big Book Meeting Sundays at 6 p.m. at the United Methodist Church, Main Street. 12 Step/Traditions Meeting Tuesdays at 6pm at the United Methodist Church, Main Street. Open Discussion Meeting Fridays at 6 pm at Bethel United Methodist Church, Main Street.

People in recovery from alcohol/drug addiction may need to move to a Next Step group. Open to everyone who feels they may benefit from a change. FMI: Laurence Austin at 824-4077 (calls confidential)

Adult Children of Alcoholics and Dysfunctional Families (ACOA or ACA) meeting at Waterford Library (Route 37 across

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the Makanda Project. The panel also reviewed grant applications for the NEFA Tour Planning program.

Down Home Maine presentation

The next Down Home Maine program sponsored by the Western Mountains Senior College will be on Tuesday, May 15, 4:30-6:30 p.m. at the 4-H Camp and Learning Center in Bryant Pond. Featured will be Ryder Scott, Director of the Center, who will present his research on sustainability education and propose that a "systems thinking" approach to education and organizational development can lead to sustainable individuals, organizations, and communities. The sustainable systems at the Center, including a 10.3 kw solar power array, will be highlighted. You may read about the Center's solar panels at www.sun-journal.com/oxford-hills/story/1049654.

The Learning Center is on Lake Christopher in Bryant Pond. From Bethel, follow Route 26 for 7.7 miles. Right before the baseball field in Bryant Pond, turn right onto Lakeside Drive. Follow the road around to the left and the parking lot. We will be in the first building, the new log Lakeside Lodge; come in the front door on the first level. Come early for a tour of the facility.

Following the presentation there will be a potluck supper for those who wish to share a meal. Contact for more details and to volunteer a dish: fosteraustin@hotmail.com or 824-3400.

WMSC offers multi-session courses, workshops, outdoor activities, special events and social gatherings to members aged 50 and over. The Down Home Maine series features unique and adventurous people from our own com-

munity. Programs are open to the public free of charge; donations are accepted to offset Senior College expenses. Google Western Mountains Senior College to reach our website.

BHS awarded grant for 2012 lectures

Bethel Historical Society Executive Director Randall H. Bennett announced this week that the society has received a \$500 grant from the Maine Humanities Council to help support its 2012 Lecture Series entitled "War, Wilderness and Wonder." "We are very grateful for this important support from the Maine Humanities Council," Bennett said in announcing the grant. "It makes it possible for the society to offer our members and friends some high-quality presentations that would be difficult to schedule without these funds," he added in his remarks regarding this year's lecture schedule.

The next lecture in the series will take place on July 7 with James Witherell, author of "L. L. Bean? The Man and His Company: The Complete Story," who will speak on the life and times of this world-famous retailer. Because his feet got wet and sore on a hunting trip, L.L. Bean developed his famous boot and started the mail-order company that would change the sleepy town of Freeport, Maine, into a huge outdoor mall. The story begins with the Bean family (who lived for a time in Bethel), young Leon Leonwood Bean's love of the outdoors, his first forays into sales (but-ter, men's clothing), and then his development of "the boot" and the beginnings of an outdoors outfitting company that ran on a card file system and resisted change. The story of L.L. Bean, Inc.'s phe-

nomenal growth under grandson Leon Gorman is replete with Preppies, MBAs, infighting, and even parodies of a company that would eventually get its own Zip Code. This program celebrates the 100th anniversary of the L.L. Bean company and author Witherell will be available afterward to sign copies of his 576-page book. The program will be held in the Mason House Exhibit Hall, starting at 1:30 p.m.

The next presentation will be the Second Annual "Stanley Russell Howe Lecture" on Aug. 2. Entitled "The Civil War of 1812: American Citizens, British Subjects, Irish Rebels, and Indian Allies," the program will be given by Pulitzer-Prize-winning historian Alan Taylor, professor of history at the University of California.

Dr. Taylor is well known for his contributions to microhistory, best exemplified in his Pulitzer-Prize-winning history of William Cooper and the settlement of Cooperstown, N. Y. Using court records, land records, letters, and diaries, he painstakingly reconstructs the economic, political and social history of New England and the settlement of New York.

Dr. Taylor is also part of a generation of historians committed to the revival of narrative history, rejecting the method-driven, quantitative work of the previous generation of "new social historians" and the theory-laden work of more recent "new cultural historians." In addition to writing books for a wide public readership, he is a regular contributor of book reviews and essays to *The New Republic*. The Lecture will take place in the Mason House Exhibit Hall at 7:30 p.m.

On Sept. 15, Roxanne Gupta, Ph.D., will speak on the fascinating character and career of her great-uncle, Charles A. Kellogg (1868-1949), an American vaudeville performer who developed the remarkable

ability to perfectly reproduce bird song, and who, at one time, operated a "Nature Camp" at North Newry, Maine. A campaigner for the protection of the redwood forests of California, Kellogg was born on a ranch in Susanville in that state and grew up in the 1870s observing the animals and birds of the forests. He constructed a mobile home, called the "Travel Log," out of a redwood tree and drove it around the country to raise awareness of the plight of the California forests.

By the time he was 22, Kellogg was performing his bird songs on vaudeville tours around the country, and by his forties he was traveling outside of the United States, performing for audiences throughout Europe. In 1911 Victor Records signed Kellogg to his first recording contract. He recorded with the company until 1919, mostly singing classical and light classical pieces.

The final event in this year's Series will be the "Hall Memorial Lecture" on Oct. 13 and will feature William B. Krohn, Ph.D., retired wildlife research biologist with the U.S. Geological Survey stationed at the University of Maine and the author of "Joshua Gross Rich (1820-1897): The Life and Works of a Western Maine Pioneer and Wildlife Writer." Dr. Krohn will speak on "Captain Charles A. J. Farrar (1842-1893): Wilderness Entrepreneur." Capt. Farrar was one of the most prolific promoters of the Rangeley Lakes in the 19th century through his guidebooks, pocket maps, and novels interwoven with history. This lecture will be held in the Mason House Exhibit Hall at 2 p.m. All lectures in the 2012 Series are free and open to anyone interested in attending.

Founded in 1966, the Bethel Historical Society is western Maine's largest and most comprehensive historical agency.

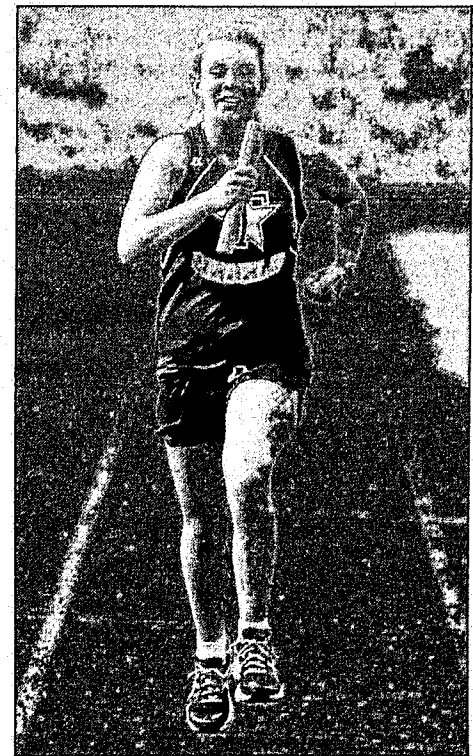
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THS Boys' Track

Meet at Telstar; April 24-Lisbon 247, Telstar 162, Mt. Valley 54, Dirigo 54, Mt. Abram 16, Gould 6. Telstar individual results: Racewalk (Winning time 7:43.5. 5. Adam Mahar 13:02.1. 3,200 m relay: 1. Telstar (M. Keane, M. Griffen, A. Mahar, J. Andrews) 9:32.2. 100 m: (WT 11.8) 4. Avery Rossow (Gould Academy) 12.6; Dylan Helms 13.2; 9. Adam Literak 13.3; Michael Dougherty 14.5; 19. Tim Jewell 14.6; 22. Liam Gallagher 15.3; 25. Julius Utz 15.6. 400 m relay: (WT 49.3) 3. Telstar (Bollen, Boivin, Lyman, Helms) 53.5. 400 m: (WT 59.8) 4. Jared Vermette 61.7; 7. Adam Mahar 64.9. 800 m: 1. Josef Holt 2:24.6; 3. Maverick Griffen (2:31.8); 7. Casey Kellner 2:37.4; 8. James Lowell 2:38.8; 9. Matthew Keane 2:39.1; 10. Henry Brooks 2:41.3; 11. Greg Wheeler 2:42.8. 200 m: (WT 24.1) 4. Adam Literak 26.8; 5. Avery Rossow (Gould Academy) 27.0; 7. Cody Boivin 28.1; 9. Dylan Helms 28.5; 15. Matt Bolen 32.1; 17. Michael Dougherty (32.8); Julius Utz 36.1. 3,200 m: 1. Josef Holt 11:15.8; 2. Ben Lewis 11:24.5; 3. Bronson Dean 11:36.8; 6. Matthew Keane 12:24.6; 7. Casey Kellner 12:34.4; 9. Henry Brooks 12:45.8. 1,600 m relay: 1. Telstar (Literak, Mahar, Vermette, Griffen) 4:05.4. Shot put: 1. Will Lyman 38-10.5; 4. Tim Jewell 32-06.5. Javelin: 1. Tim Jewell 126-06.0; 2. Will Lyman 116-03.0; 4. Dylan Helms 105-02.0. Discus: 1. Will Lyman 106-04.0; 2. Tim Jewell 105-08.5. Triple jump: (Winning distance 38-04.5) 6. Michael Dougherty 24-09.5; 7. Liam Gallagher 22-10.5.

THS Girls' Track

Meet at Telstar; April 24-Lisbon 293, Dirigo 93, Mt. Valley 70, Mt. Abram 38, Telstar 32. Telstar results: 400 m: (Winning time 66.3) 3. Katie Blaszcak 68.9. 800 m: (WT 2:52.9) 4. Rebecca Tuttle 3:18.4. 200 m: (WT 29.6) 2. Katie Blaszcak 30.9. 1,600 m relay: (WT 4:45.2) 3. Telstar (Tuttle, Blaszcak, Blaszcak, Barter) 5:17.4. 3,200 m relay: (WT 11:30.4) 3. Telstar (C. Blaszcak, R. Tuttle, H. Barter, C. Ellefsen) 13:29.5.



HOME OPENER
The Telstar Track Team hosted its first home meet Tuesday. Here, Hall Barter runs in the 3,200-meter relay. (Photo: A. Aloisio)

Church Services

ALBANY

Congregational Church - Hunts Corner, 9:30 a.m. Sunday worship and Sunday School at 9 a.m.; Pastor Eddie Gammon. Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Thursdays at the home of Fernand Corriveau.

ANDOVER

First Congregational Church - Rev. Jane Rich. Sunday morning worship 10 to 11 a.m. followed by brunch. All welcome. FMI - 392-3761.

Calvary Bible Church - Pastor Ken Wagstaff; Morning worship 10:45 - noon. Wednesday prayer meeting, 6:30 p.m. Rt. 5, South Andover. 392-1121.

BETHEL

Bethel Alliance Church - Rev. Kevin Bellinger, Pastor. Sundays: Sunday school for adults and children at 9 a.m.; Worship Service at 10 a.m.; Kidz Klub (4 yrs.-5th grade) and High School Youth Group (9th-12th grade) at 4:30-6:30 p.m. Thursdays: Middle School Youth Group (6th-8th grade) at 5 p.m. FMI: 824-2289.

Bethel Church of the Nazarene - Rev. Chuck Mason, 16 Church Street, Bethel. Sunday School, 9:30 a.m. A.M. Worship, 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Bible Study and Prayer, 6 p.m. Third Sunday of each month at 9 a.m., breakfast open to the public at no charge. For information or if you need a ride or have a prayer request: 824-4028.

Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Savior, Our Lady of

the Snows - 265 Walkers Mills Road (Rt. 26), The Rev. Philip Tracy. Saturday Mass, 6 p.m. Office 364-4556, announcements 824-2933.

Episcopal House Church - Third Sunday of the month, 4 p.m. FMI: 824-3932.

West Parish Congregational Church - Church Street, Rev. Virginia Rickeman, Pastor. Sundays: 10 a.m. worship and Sunday School. Nursery and child care provided. Tuesdays: 8 a.m., informal Prayer Group with coffee in the Chapel. All are welcome. First Wednesday of the month: 8 a.m., Mens' Breakfast in the Dining Room downstairs. Entrance in rear of church. Thursdays: 7 p.m. Choir Practice in the Sanctuary. New voices welcome. FMI: 824-2689; 824-0550.

United Methodist Church - Main Street - Pastor Carol Stevens. Sunday worship 9 a.m. Bible Study 1:30 p.m. on Wednesdays at Sudbury Village, Apt. 15. FMI: 824-0797.

West Bethel Union - Rev. John Williams. Morning worship and 9 a.m. Sunday School. FMI: 836-3533 or 836-2882. **Pleasant Valley Bible Pastor** Dave Fraher. Sunday Services: Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Worship Service, 10 a.m.; Ladies Bible study Tuesday, 2:30 p.m. Midweek Bible study and prayer, Wednesday 6 p.m. Awana Club Fridays 3:30-5 p.m. (Cubbies ages 3/4; Sparks Grades K-2; children may take bus from school). Monthly Youth Group meetings and Grades 3- high school. FMI: 836-2828.

Church of Christ - at home of Keith Hamel, minister, 507 Walker's Mills Road (Route 26), Bethel. Sunday: Bible class, 9 a.m.; Worship Service 10 a.m. Wednesday: Bible study, 7 p.m. FMI: 824-3577.

Seventh Day Adventist Fellowship: Meets at the Nazarene Church on Saturdays, on Church Street in Bethel. Sabbath School 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m. FMI: 824-8939.

EAST STONEHAM Oxford County United Parish Churches in Stoneham and North Waterford - Services at 10 a.m. at the North Waterford Congregational Church (UCC), located on the Five Kezars Road, off Routes 35 & 37, opposite Melby's Market. Services held at North Waterford through the winter months. Choir practice 9 a.m., followed by Bible Study at 9:15 a.m.

LOCKE MILLS Locke Mills Union - Pastor Sondra Withey. Sunday Morning Service and Sunday School, 9-10 a.m. Bible study at the church is every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

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North Paris Federation - Morse Hill Road, North Paris. Sunday Service 8 a.m.. Pastor Bruce Tyner. 674-2968. Singspiration third Sunday each month alternating with West Paris Baptist Church at 7 p.m.

Oxford Hills Friends (Quakers) - Sunday worship 9:30 a.m. at HOPE Ripley Center, High Street, S. Paris across the park from the Post Office. Call Ursula Brandon at 665-2880 or Sue Reilly at 966-2012 for more information.

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Rumford Point Church - Sunday service, Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Sondra Withey.

SUMNER

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WEST PARIS

First Universalist Church - Sunday services, 9 a.m., Sept. to June.

West Paris Baptist - 15 Church St. Sunday Worship 9:45 a.m.; Sunday School 11 a.m.; Word of Life Youth - 6 p.m.; Word of Life Olympians (kids club) - 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m. Ladies' ministry, food pantry, third Saturday of month. Pastor Scott Randolph, 376-6854.

Mission Congregational Church - Wallace Farnum, pastor. Sunday Worship 8:30 a.m.

WOODSTOCK

Bryant Pond Baptist - Pastor Matt Jones, Sundays: Sunday School 9:15 a.m.; Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.; Evening Service 6 p.m.; Wednesdays: Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Woodstock Seventh day Adventist - Pastor Greg Carlson (207-527-2551), Saturday: 9:2 a.m. Sabbath school. 11 a.m. worship service.

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Bethel Veterans Monument list

The following is Part 3 of Veterans from World War II who went in from the towns of Albany, Bethel, Grafton or Mason. Based on information acquired through the Maine Archives, the Mundt Allen Post #81 and other sources, the following veterans may be included on the Veteran's Honor Roll for the Town. All names have been cross checked to their headstone for the correct spelling of the name. Please take a look at the names and let a committee member below know if there should be any additions, deletions or information added to this list, and if so, the documentation. If you see a deceased veteran on this list and no cemetery listed and they are deceased, please let a committee member know where they are buried. If you see your name on this list please provide the committee member with a copy of your discharge paperwork (DD 215, DD215 or WD form) for your eligibility to be included on the honor roll.

Anyone who has served in any branch of the military to include Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force, Coast Guard, National Guard and Reserves are eligible to be included on the Veteran's Honor Roll as long as Albany, Bethel, Grafton or Mason have been listed as their home of record on their DD214, DD215 or WD form and show an honorable discharge. On older DD forms, Home of Record won't be listed, but residence will be, so residence will be used for eligibility.

If you need to get a copy of your DD forms, you can contact the Bureau of Maine Veterans Services @ 207-430-6035 and request an application to apply for your DD form for proof of residence or Home of Record. You can also order your military records by going online to: www.vetrecs.archives.gov fill out the form online, print it, sign it and send it in. Or you can request Form SF 180 from the National Personnel Records Center, Military Personnel Records, 1 Archives Drive, St. Louis, Mo 63138. They will send you the form for your completion, you will send it back to them at the address indicated on the form and they will send you a copy of your records. There is no charge for this service.

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Please get back to following committee members by May 15, 2012 with any information you may have. You may mail or e-mail any changes of information to the following committee members: Jane Ryerson, P.O. Box 152, Bethel, Maine 04217 e-mail: carjar95@megalink.net or you can call me at 207-357-2772, or Ramona Grover, 183 Kings Highway, Mason Township, ME 04217, e-mail: rlgx2@megalink.net or call 207-836-2802.

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Obituaries

JOHN BROWN III

John Brown III, a resident of Holton Point and a Hospice Care patient, passed away on April 18, 2012 following a long illness.

John was born on Nov. 6, 1929 to John and Ruth (Cutler) Brown of Montpelier, Vt. He received his education in grades 2-9 in Montpelier.

When his family moved to Orange, Vt., in 1944, he was transferred to Spaulding High School in Barre, graduating in 1947. In 1951 he graduated from the University of Vermont and continued doing graduate work at Boston University, UVM, Plymouth State College, Bates College, and UNH College.

In October 1951 he served in the US Army in the Korean Conflict. As a member of 622nd MPCOI Corps in Uijongbu, South Korea, he was fortunate to serve in the Honor Guard with escort for President-Elect Dwight D. Eisenhower in December 1952.

Upon his discharge, John was employed at a drug store in Woodsville, N.H., for two years. Upon receiving his New Hampshire Teacher's Certification, he taught chemistry and mathematics at Lisbon High School for 36 years.

During the summers of 1958, '59, '60, '62 he taught chemistry and served as housemaster and counselor at St. Paul's School Advanced Studies Program in Concord, N.H.

In 1951 John became a Master Mason in George Washington Lodge in Chelsea, Vt. He affiliated with Kane Lodge 21958 in Lisbon, N.H., and served as Worshipful Master in 1969 and 1970, and was awarded the Sullivan Medal by the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire. He was active in the Scottish Rite, serving as Sovereign Prince of Washington Council, Princes of Jerusalem of Littleton, N.H., and Past Most Wise Master of Littleton Chapter of Rose Croix. He served as Orator of the New Hampshire Consistory from which he received the Meritorious Service Award. In 2011 he received recognition for 60 years of membership from the Grand Lodge of Vermont.

On Aug. 14, 1964 he married Mary Perham Wetherbee, daughter of Dorothy W. Perham and Ronald A. Perham, Superintendent of Schools in Lisbon, N.H. Mary was a former accounting clerk at the Lisbon District Office of the Public Service Company of N.H.

John was a member of the Lisbon Teachers' Association, a lifetime member of NEA-NH, a lifetime member of NHTA and a lifetime member of NHR-TA. A charter member of the Lisbon Upstage Players, he entertained many theater lovers in musical and dramatic productions.

The Browns enjoyed their summers at their cottage on North Pond in North Woodstock, Maine, where they spent much time in the sun, fishing and boating. Their great-grandchildren were christened with water from North Pond supplied by their father who chopped a hole in the ice the day before Christmas. John found joy in caring for his flowers, small patches of color that brought happiness to passersby. He found pleasure in sharing his vacation home with friends and family.

John's survivors include his wife of 47 years, Mary Brown, who resides at Holton Point in Lancaster; his stepdaughter, Andrea and her husband David Craxton of Dalton, N.H.; his sister, Arlene and her husband Donald Accavallo of Rutland, Vt.; his brother-in-law, David and his wife Susan Perham of West Palm Beach, Fla.; his grandson, Ronald and his wife Ivana Josselyn of Riverside, CA; great grandchildren Adam and Kaitlyn Josselyn of Watertown, Maine; and cousins, nieces and nephews. John was predeceased by his parents.

Calling hours were held at the Bailey Funeral Home in Lancaster on Friday evening, May 11. A brief Masonic service was held for all who wished to attend.

A celebration of John's life was held Saturday, May 12, at the Lancaster Congregational Church, followed by an hour of fellowship and sharing of memories.

In lieu of flowers and in remembrance of John, please consider donating to the Lisbon Regional School Education Foundation, earmarked for the health care professions.

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MARK EDWIN WALTERS

Mark Edwin Walters 49, of Bethel, died Monday, April 16, 2012 in Bristol, N.H., from injuries sustained in a motor vehicle accident.

Mark was born in Wilmington, Del., on 8/13/1962. He lived most of his youthful years in Williamstown, Mass., graduating from Mt. Greylock High School.

He graduated from Worcester Polytechnic Institute in 1984 in Electrical Engineering and was very successful working in automation controls. He co-founded the company Automatech with his partner and close friend Tom Schiller and soon Jack Neddleman joined the partnership. Mark relied on both Tom and Jack in the business field as well as his personal life.

Mark is survived by his wife, Kelly Walters of Bethel; and their seven children that brought such joy to him: Gordon (23) with his girlfriend of three years, Katie, Ryan (21), Ashley (20), Alexander (18) Kendra (17), Samuel (15) and Elijah James Walters (3). His children meant the world to him and brought much laughter to his life. They enjoyed many great times hiking, skiing, snowboarding, camping, canoeing, kayaking, music and Patriots games together. He will be greatly missed within his home. He is also survived by the mother of Gordon, Kendra and Ryan, Lynn Koch, who has done a wonderful job raising three awesome children that Mark always acknowledged and loved her for.

He is also survived by his remarkable mother, Judy Walters, who has incredible strength; brothers, Glenn (Ani), Duncan; sisters, Marie (Steve), Pamela (Rob); and many wonderful nieces, nephews and long-life friends. Two of whom William Stang and Robert Urbanowski who also perished in the vehicle with Mark to go to be with Jesus their Lord and Savior.

He was predeceased by his father, Gordon Walters (Pop Pop). Mark was a very giving person with great integrity and honesty. He will be remembered as a humble, simple man who loved his family and loved the Lord. His legacy shows through with the wonderful children he has and the love they have for him and for the Lord.

Online condolences may be shared with the family at www.chandlerfunerals.com

Services and burial will be held in Bethel at a later date.

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Marilyn, who has worked at Crescent Park Elementary School in Bethel for several years as a Special Ed Tech, was recently diagnosed with cancer. We are having a benefit to help raise money for treatment and medical expenses. We will have a silent auction and raffle.

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